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HERBALL

TURNER

1551-62



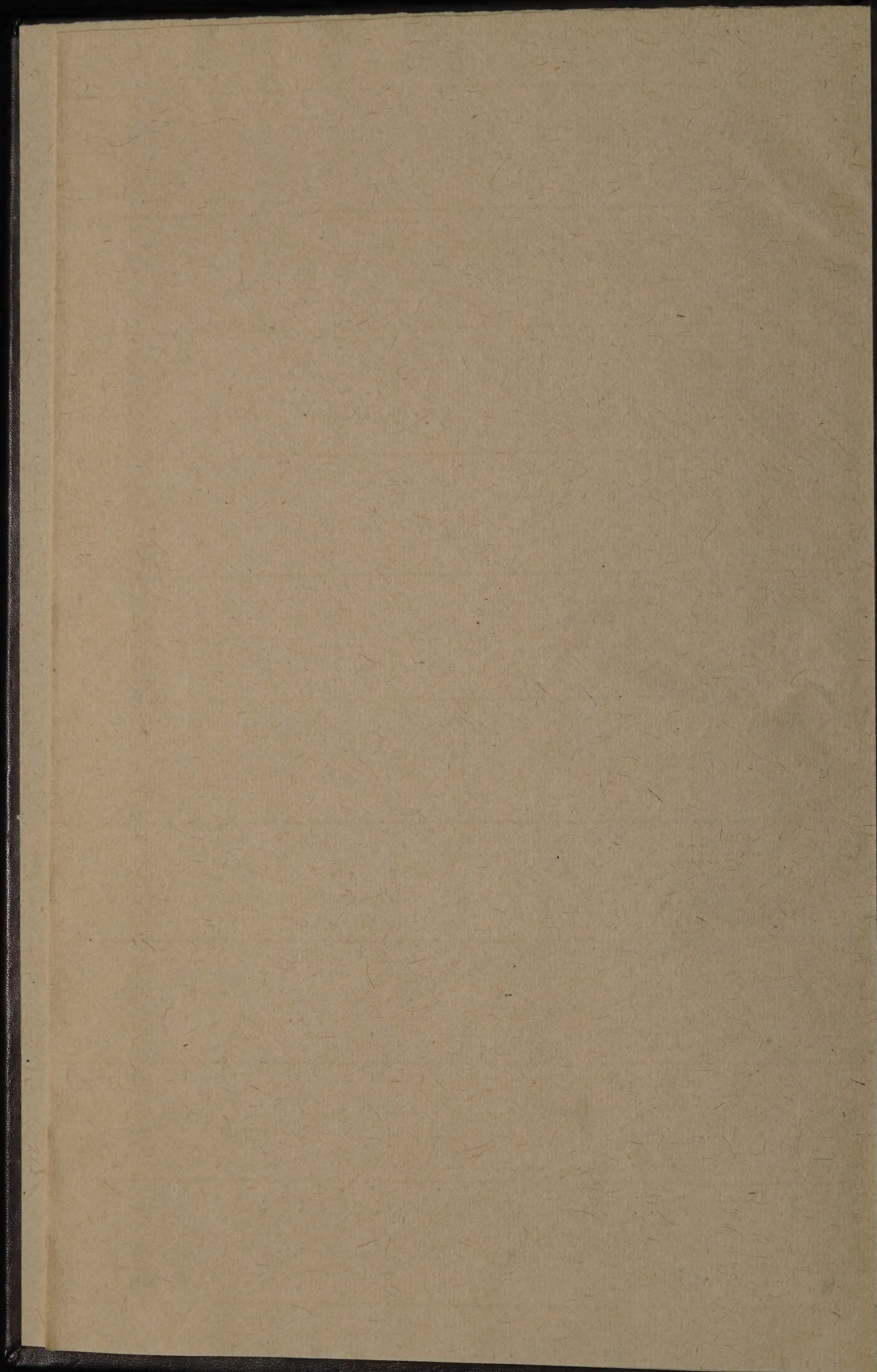




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apothecary (1561)



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The seconde parte of Guil-
liam Turners herball/ wherein are conteyned the
names of herbes in Greke/Latin/Duche/ Frenche / and in the
Apothecaries Latin/and somtyme in Italiane / wyth the ver-
tues of the same herbes wyth diuerse consutations of no
small errors/that men of no small learning haue
committed in the intreatinge of herbes
of late yeares.

Here vnto is ioyned also a booke of the bath of
Baeth in Englande/and of the vertues of the same wyth di-
uerse other bathes moſte holſum and effectuell/ both
in Almany and Englande/ ſet forth by William
Turner Doctor of Phyſick.



Imprinted at Colen by Arnold Birckman.
In the yeare of our Lorde M. D. LXXII.

Cum Gratia & Priuilegio Reg. Maieſt.

*Note. The booke
of the Baeth &c. ſell
the Homely apothecary*

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To the right honorable and
his verne good Lorde Syr Thomas Wentworth
knight/ lorde Wentworth/ William Turner
wiffeth helth and increase and conti-
nuance in all kindes of vertue
and Godlines.



It is not vnknowne vnto a great sorte of the that
haue ben desirous to knowe the natures and pro-
perties of herbes in England/ and therefore haue
red the fyrst parte of my herball: that I promised
to write and set furth the second parte also as sone
as I could get any conuenient leasure and helpe
thereto. Which promise I haue nowe performed/
and haue set oute the seconde parte of my herball/
where I intreat of herbes as I did in the former
parte/ and also examin at large and do confute (for the quantite of the lear-
ning that God hath geuen me) the errours of them / whiche haue writen
of late/ and haue notably erred / and stiffly haue defended their errours.
But som/ I am sure/ will arise which wil not alo to my long disputations
and confutations/ but will say that it had ben inough for me/ only to haue
simply shewed my minde/ and not to haue ben so longe and laborsum in
such maters. Other/ as certayn dark doctores/ not bullati / but boletarii/
which suddenly/ lyke todestolles stert vp phisicioness within two or thre
yeares study/ wil mislyke thys my boke/ as they haue mislyked before my
fyrst parte/ because it is no greater: for they are so earnest in practisinge at
the first day for money/ that they will spare no tyme vpon the study of Di-
oscorides/ Galene/ and Pliny: whereby they might profite in knowledge
of thinges them selues/ and also teach other: and therfore when as in all
theyr liues they neuer haue found agayn the knowledge of one lost herb/
tre/ fishe/ byrde/ beaste/ or metall/ will with great arrogancie and lofty loo-
kes dispise other mennis short bookes/ requiringe of them muche greater
volumes/ when as they for all their knowledge in worde ioynd with ve-
ry smal knowledge of thinges/ nether for lack of learning ca nether write
long nor shorte bookes/ nether for getting of mony will gyue any iust la-
bor at all to learne to write any good thinges theselues. Other perchance
will require / that I shoulde haue at the first set out my booke in Latin/
that they that I haue disputed withall/ might haue ben able to haue an-
swered for themselves in such poyntes as they are charged to erre in. To
them that would haue only the mater simply told without any further ex-
amination and confutation of the errours that haue ben committed a-
gaynst the knowledge of herbes/ that I write of: I answere that I write
not only this booke for vnlarned men/ that as they care but littel for the
truth

*Bullatus
Boletarii*

*Knowledge of
small things
of things*

THE PREFACE.

truth, so can small skill of disputationes which are ordered for the defens
of the truth, but also for lerned men/as surgeanes/apothecaries/and som
Physicionesses away from the truth by the writings of them/whom I
go about to confute/had as much nede to haue the errors that they haue
dronke in/to be pulled out by disputationes/ as the simple sorte haue nede
only of the matter playnly tolde without any disputation at all. Therfore
seyng that both the simple writing of the matter is necessary/and the dis
putationes are necessary also/I am no more worthy blame for writing in
one booke in som places simply the vertues and descriptiones of herbes/
and in other places of the same disputationes and confutationes of er
rors/then the pooze man is which bringeth an hole shepe to the market
when as the clothier wold only by the wol/the glouers only the skin/and
the inkeeper the fleshe. To them that compleyne of the shortnes of the boke/
I answer/ if they be doctors and learned men/let them write longer bo
kes and amend my shortnes with their long and great bookes. If they be
riche and vnlearned welthy men/that compleyn of the shortnes: let them
command their scolares/to whom they haue gyuen their exhibition ether
in England or beyond the Sea/to write greater bookes. For it is shame
for them/to require so much of me and other learned men/and to giue so
litle as they do for the mayntenance of scolares and learned men. To the
that woulde that I should haue writen in Latin: I answer/ that as I am
naturally bounde/I haue first set out my bokes of herbes in Englishe for
the profit of my contremen: And if they that thinke that I ought to haue
writen in Latin/ iudge that it were better to set them by and by in La
tin for the profit of strangers: let them ether translate them their selues
out of Englishe in to Latin/or ellis let them prouide som good translator
of their coste/vntill I can haue leasure to that my selfe. And in the meane
season it semeth to me/ that I haue in this case nothinge offended/except
Cragus/Reimbertus/and Barthiolus/honest and learned men haue al
so offended/wherof the first wrote/in hygh Duch his Herbari/the second
first in low Duch/and afterward in French his Herball/the thyrde in It
talian: and yet som of these haue not translated their bookes into La
tin as yet / and other haue not translated in a longe time after their
first workes into Latin. Now wher that I haue answered these idle or
uerseers baynsautfinders in certayn poyntes/whych seme to lye most opē
agaynst the accusationes of them and suche lyke/I thinke it mete to seke
som patrone and defender of my boke agaynst other fautfinders/ and al
so if it were any worthy present for any noble mā to giue it vnto som that
were most worthy to haue it for the benefittes that he or his haue besto
wed vpon me. Seking long for a Noble patron no small tyme/I coulde
find no man so fit to be cholen a patron for it/as youre Lordship/not only
because ye are a noble man/and of a good auncient house/but also for that
ye haue suche learninge ioyned with your nobilite/that I know no man
of your degre that hath the like/whether a man requireth an exact know
ledge in mannis learning or a wonderfull sight and iudgement in holy
scripture. Wherein many can beare witnes/that ye are so well exercised
that a man wold thinke that ye had done almost nothinge ellis from your
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THE PREFACE.

tender yeares/ but studied the scripture. And who hath deserued better to haue my booke of herbes to be giuen to him/ then he / whose father with his yearly exhibition did helpe me/ beyng student in Cambridge of Physick and philosophy. Whereby with some further help and study am commed to this poore knowledge of herbes & other simples that I nowe haue. Wherefore I dedicat vnto you this my litle booke/ desyring you to defende it against the enuious euell speakers/ which can allow nothing/ but it that they do their selues: And the same I giue vnto your Lordship / beseeching to take it in the stede of a better thyng/ and for a token of my good will toward you/ and all your fathers household/ which thing if ye do/ as soone as I shall haue conuenient lesure / ye shall haue the third and last parte of my herball also.

Almighty God kepe you
and all youre.

Amen.

VNTO THE REDER.

The fautes committed in the printing of this booke/ are in the ende of the booke/ which I would thou should correct/ before thou shall begin to rede my booke.

Archangel 7

Jupulago

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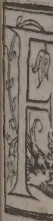
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Fagus is named in Greke *Phagos* / in Dutch *eui* Buchbau / in frenche *fau*. Fagus is thus described of Plinye: The nut of a Beche tree beyng lyke vnto kynuels / is enclosed in a three cornerd skyn or huske / the leafe is thyn and excedyng lyght / lyke vnto an aspe or poplere / it werith yelow beere hal telye / & ofte tymes it byngethe furthe in the myddes in the bypper parte a lytle grene beere / sharpe in the toppe / the nuttes are beere swete. Thus this

desyre greatlye to eate of the beche nut / and myse eate gladlye of the same. Thus muche dothe Plinye wyte of the description of a beche tree / Virgill in his *Egloges* maketh beche tree to haue a great and a broade toppe / whiche maketh suche a greete shadowe / that bothe men and bestes maye be defended therbye frome the heate of the sonne: whiche thinge we see to be true by daylye experience / and speryallye in greete olde Beches.

The propertyes, vse, and commodityes of the beche tree.



Dioscorides wytteth that the leaues of the oke & the beche tree and of suche other lyke brused and broken are good for softe swellinges / and to strengthen those partes that are weake. The leaues of the beche tree / are good to be chowded for the dysleasse of the gummes / and the lypes. The powdre burned of the beche nut / is good wythe honye for a skalde & a skurwe head / when the heare goethe of / if it be layde to. Plinye rekenyth the same good for the stone. Palladius wyttith that the beche tree is good tymbre / if it be kepte drye / but that it is sone rotten / if it be in moysture or in weate places / in Virgilles tyme men bled muche to make cuppes of the beche tree as a man maye gather by his *Egloges*.

Of the herbe Ferula.



Ferula is called in Greke *narther* / but howe that it is named in Englishe / as yet I can not tell / for I neuer sawe it in Englande / but in Germanie in diuers places. It maye be named in Englishe herbe *ferula* / or *fenell gyante* / because it is lyke *fenell* / but a great deale higher and larger in all partes then *fenell* is.

Ferula byngith furthe a stalke of thre cubytes longe / and leaues of *fenell* / but rougher and broder. I fynde no larger description of *ferula* in Dioscorides / but Theophrastus describeth it thus: *ferula* hathe but one stalke / and that full of ioyntes or knees / The leaues and branchis come oute of the ioyntes / one oute of one syde of the ioynte / & another oute of the other syde / as the leaues of the rede do. The leafe is greete / softe / and muche deuyded or tagged / so that it that is next vnto the grounde / dothe muche resemble here. The floure is yelow / the sede is darke and lyke *dill* sede / but greater it is clouen in the toppe / and is deuyded into smale styckes which holde the floures and the sede. The smal branchis want not theyr floures nor sede / but haue bothe as *dill* hath. The stalke lasteth but for one yere. It hath but one single roote / and that goeth depe into the grounde.

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Of the herbe Ferula.

The vertues of Ferula oute of Dioscorides.



Ferula taken oute of the grene ferula / and dronken / is good for the spittinge of blode / for the flire: it is geuen in wyne against the bytinges of vipers. Thesame put into y nosethylles / stoppith bloode there. The sede dronken is good for the gnawinge of the bellie / if the bodie be anointed therwyth and wyth oyle / it prouoketh sweate. The stalkes / if they be eaten / make the head ake / they are sawced in wyne.

The vertues of ferula oute of Plinye.



Ferula stalkes of ferula are vled to be eatē / when they are sodden / they are the better take wyth muste and honie / and so they are good for the stomake / if a man take manye of them: they brede the heade ake / a dramme of the roote dronken in two vnces / and a halfe of wine / is dronken agaynst serpentes / and the roote is layed to it selfe / so is it good for the gnawinge in the bellye: wyth oyle and vinegre / it is good to stave sweetinge euen in agues. The iuyce of ferula taken in the quantyte of a beane / doth stop the bellye. x. graynes of the seed broken / are good to be dronken in wyne to stop blode. The harte or the pithe of the herbe so taken / is good for the same purpose. The nature of ferula is the forest enemye that can be to Lāpreys / for yf it ones touche them / they dye therwyth.

The vertues of Ferula oute of Galen.

The sede of ferula heateth and maketh thyn or subtyll / but it that is within / whiche they cal the marve / the pythe / and the hatte / hath a byndinge nature in it. By reason wherof it is good for the flire and them that spyt blode.

Of the Figge tree.



Ficus is called in Greke syke / in Englishe a figge tree / in Duches / Ein feig bau / in frenche vng figuez. A figge tree is no greate highe tree / for the moste parte / but in some places some are founde as bigge and as high / as a pere tree. The leaues are cut or indentid / and euerye leafe hath thre partes / of the whiche euerye one resemblith a finger. Therfore euerye





euerye figge leafe/ semith as though
it had thre fingers. The figge tree
is so well knowen/ that it nedith no
farther description.

The vertues of the Figge tree.



Newe figges that are ri-
pe/as Dioscorides wi-
teth/hurte the stomake/
and lose the bellye/but
the flice y cometh ther-
of/ is sone stopped. They prouoke
sweat and drawe oute wheles and
pockes: they quenche thirste and
abate heate/whē they are drye/theyr
nature is hote/they nourishe the stren-
ghth/but thē they make a man more
drie/ & they are good for the bellye/
and are cōtrarye to the runes or flo-
winges of the stomacke/ and the
bellie. Met Galen wyttith that the
figges both grene and also dried/
loose the bellye. They are verye good
for the throte/ for the wynde pipe/
for the kidnes/ for the bladder/and
for them that are euill colored wyth
a longe sycknes/ and for them that

are shorte wynded/ and for them that haue the dropsye/ and for them that
haue the fallinge sycknes/ The same made warme/ & dronken wyth Ilope/
do purge the breste/ they are good for the coughe/ for the bellye/ & for the ol-
de diseales of the lunges/ The same brused wyth niter & chartan saffron/ &
then eaten/ do softē the bellye. The brothe of figges/ is good for the swelled
kynells besyde the throte. If a man gargill ther wyth/ they are good to
be put in softenyng inplaysters/ mixed wythe barlye meale/ the same
brothe is good to be mixed in womans bathes wyth fenygreek/ and sod-
den barlye. When they are sodden wyth rue/ they are good to be powred
in/ agaynst the gnawinge of the bellye. Figges sodden and laide to driue
awaye hardnesse/ they softē swellinges behinde the eares/ & other angrye
swellinges. They make rype wheles/ called Pauds/ specialllye yf there be
put vnto them niter aryce/ or lime: if rawe figges be beatē wyth these/ they
are of lyke effecte. Wythe the shell of a pomegraned they purge awaye an-
guaylles & suche harde swellinges: wythe copperus they heale the runny-
ge yssues of the legge/ whiche are almoste incurable/ if they be soddē wythe
wyne wozmwoode/Romane & barlye meale. They are good to be layed vpon
them y haue the dropsye/ burnt figges laide one to a playster of ware/ are
goode for kybed or mooled heles/ and for ytchynges. The mylkye iuyce of
bothe the wilde and the garden figge: euen as runnyng or chese lope/ ma-
keth mylke runne together into cruddes/ and louseth it that is growen to-
gether

Al ij gether

Of the Brake or Ferne.

gether/as vinegre: it takyth the skynne of from the bodye/it openyth the poores/ and losith the bellye. The same broken wyth an almonde & dronke/ openyth the mother. The same layd to wyth the yolke of an egge or Tyr- rinicall ware/ bringith downe womens syckneses. It is good to be put into playsters wyth the floure of senygreke and vinegre for the gowte. It scowryth awaye lepres/ frekles/ skurynes and the diseale of the face/ stables/ & runnyng sores in the head/ if it be layed to wyth barlye meale: It is good for them that are bytten wyth a scorpion or of anye other venemens beast/ or of a mad dogge/ if it be dropped into the wounde. The same receaued in wille and put into the holowe tothe/ is good also for the tothe ake. If it be layde to wyth satt/ it taketh awaye wertes. Dye fyg- ges are hote in the fyrste degree fullie as Galen wyrteth. They are hote in the beginnyng of the seconde degree/ and of fyne and sutil partes. The figge tree as bothe the iuyce/ the leaues and the tree dothe testifie/ is verpe hote/ for they do not onelye byte or vehementlye scoure awaye/ but also/ do pull of the skynne/ and open the mouthes of the vesselles/ although figges wyth other frutes haue some euill iuyce/ yet this good propertie they haue/ that they go quicklye thorough the bellye/ and easelye go thowowe the hole bodye/ for they haue a notable vertue to scoure awaye/ wherfore it chaun- seth that they that are greued wyth the stone/ after that they haue eaten figges voyd oute sande in theyr brine: they nozise more then the commen sorte of frutes do/ but they make not fast and styffe fleshe as breade and wyynes fleshe do/ but somethinge loose and emptye fleshe as beanes do. Figges are wyndye/ but their wyndynes endureth not/ if a man eate oute of measure of rype figges/ they will fill him exceedinglye full of lice. They haue vertue to cutt in soudre and to make fyne/ by reason wherof they pro- uoke a man to stoole and purge the kydnes.

Of the Brake or Ferne.



note

This is called in Greke *Pteris*/ in Englishe *Ferne* or a *Bra- ke*/ in *Duche* ein walt *farne*/ in *French* *fauchier*. There are two kyndes of brakes/ the one kynde is called in Latin *Filix mascula*/ & in Greke *Pteris*/ wythoute anye addicion. It growyth commonlye vpon stones. It is all full of lytle winges euen frome the wote. The seconde kynde is called in Greke *Chelypteris*/ in Latin *Filix femina*: this is the commen ferne or brake whiche the Nozther men call a braken/ It hath a thinge lyke a longe bare stalke/ and the leaues are onelye on the top of that. *Dioscorides* wyrtith of the *Ferne* or *Brake* thus/ It hath leaues wythout anye stalke or frute/ whiche leaues comme oute of a thinge lyke a stalke/ and the same is a cubite highe/ the leaues are manye wayes deuided and full ol branches lyke fethers. The sauor of it is somewhat rauke/ the roote of it is black/ and that goeth euen by the ouermoste parte of the grounde. It is also longe/ and putteth furth manye branches/ the taste therof is somewhat byndynge. It groweth in montaynes and in stonye places. The female brake hath leaues lyke vnto the male full of branchis/ hyper from the grounde/ whiche growe not all vpon one herbes synnawe as it were/ as the other doth

Of the Brake or Ferne.

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Filix.

Ferne or a Brake.



doth / but vpon diuers and manye lytlen synnowes lyke stalkes. This kynde hath manye longe rootes wythen one by an other / whiche beyng somthyng yelow turn toward a black. Some also are founde red. Dioscorides denyeth that the ferne hath anye frute / and therbye that it hath also no seede / but not onelye the opinion of the comen people is / that the ferne hath seede / but also it is the opinion of a Christen Philisicion / named Hieronymus Tragus / who doth not onelye saye that ferne hath seede / but wytyth that he founde vpon mydsomer euen seede vpon Brakes. I haue taken oute of his herbal his wordes concernynge that matter / & haue translated that into Englishe after this maner folowinge. Although that all they that haue wryten of herbes / haue affyrmed and holden / that the Brake hath nether seede / nor frute / yet haue I dyuers tymes proued the contrarye / whiche thinge I will testefye here in this place / for there sakes that be studentes in the knowledge of herbes / I haue foure yerres together one after an other vpon the bigill of saynt Iohn the Baptiste (whiche we call in Englishe mydsomer euen) soughte for this seede of Brakes vpon the nyghte / & in dede I fownde it earlye in the mornynge before the daye brake / the seede was small blacke and lyke vnto poppye. I gatherid it after this maner: I laide shetes and mollen leaues vnderneath the brakes whiche receyued the seede / that was by shakynge and beatynge broughte oute of the branches and leaues. Manye brakes in some places had no seede at all / but in other pla-

Compare
Tragus.

Of the Male Ferne.

tes agayne: a man shall fynde seede in euerye brake/ so that a man maye ge-
ther a hundred oute of one brake alone/ but I went aboute this busynes/
all figures/ coniurynges/ saunters/ charmes/ wythcrafte / and sozseryes
sett a syde/ takynge wyth me two or thre honest men to bere me cōpanye/
when I soughte this seede/ all the villages aboute/ did shyue wyth boulsers
that the people made there/ & sometyne when I soughte the seede/ I fownde
it/ and sometyne I fownde it not. Somtyme I founde muche/ and some-
tyme lytle: but what shoulde be the cause of this diuersyte or what nature
meaneth in this thinge / surelye I can not tel. Thus farre hath Tragus
wryten of the brake seede. But as he hath not tolde wherfore the seede is
good/ euen so haue I no experyence as yet wherfore it is good/ sayynge
that I do gether by no bayne cōiecture/ that in healyng of dyuers grefes/
it is of greater poure and strengthe then ether the roote or leaues be.

The vertues of the male ferne.

The roote of the male ferne dryueth oute the brode wormes of the
bellye/ if yowe take it in the quātyte of foure drammes of mede/ other-
wyse called humped water/ but it will worke moze effectuallye if ye
take it with xij. graynes of Diagredy or Scamonye/ or blacke Bellabor/ but
they that receyue this medicine/ had nede to take garlyke before/ and it is
good for them that haue a swelled mylte/ The roote is good to be dronken/
and also to be laide to in playstre wyse for the wondes that are made wyth
an arrowe of reede/ wherof they saye this is the tryall. The ferne will
peryshe/ if ye sett reedes rounde aboute it in good plentye/ And lyke wyse
reede will banyshe awaye if ye compasse him aboute wyth ferne rounde
aboute. The rootes of the femall ferne taken wyth honye after the maner
of an electuarie/ dryue brode wormes oute of the gutter if they be dronken
wyth wyne/ in the quantyte of thre drammes/ they dryue oute rounde
wormes. They are not good to be geuen vnto women whiche wolde haue
manye chylzen/ nether are they good to go muche ouer for women that are
alredye wyth childe. The powdre of them is good to be spynkled vpon
moyste sores whiche are harde to be couerid wyth a skynne/ and ill to be
healid. It is a good remedye for the neckes of suche beastes as are accus-
tomed to the yokes/ Somme vse to seth the grene leaues of Brakes wyth
other wortes or pot herbes/ to receaue them to soften their bellye wythall.
The later wryters do affirme that the iuyce whiche is pressyd oute of a
ferne roote/ laide to wyth the rose water / or wyth the other colde water/ if ye
can gett no rose water/ is good for all maner of burnynges and skaldynges/
but ye muste two or thre tymes streine the water & powdre together/ and
then it will be synne/ and then it is perfectiue good for the purposes aboue
reherfed/ when as no other remedye will helpe as men of experyence do tes-
tyfy. This is a maruelous nature that the ferne hath namelye the male/
that if a man cut the roote of it in the myddes/ it will shewe of eche syde a
blacke egle wyth two heades oute of white/ Plinye also wrytith/ that if
the roote of the ferne be broken and laide to/ pulleth furth the sheuer of
a reede that styckith in the fleshe/ and lyke wyse that the roote of the reede
laide to/ pullyth furth to sheuers of a Brake that is in the fleshe.

Of Polipody.

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Of Polypodys or Vualferne or Okeferne.

Polipodium. Filicula

Polipody or Vualferne, or Okeferne.



Filicula is called in Greke Polipodiu in Englyshe Polipody or vualle ferne in Dutch the Engellsact or engellsutz in Freche Polipode. It groweth in ake trees & in olde walles. It dryeth wythoute bitinge. Dioscorides sayeth Polipodium groweth in mossye walles/ and in olde bodys or bellys of trees/ and specialle of okes/ it is of a spanne length/ and lyke vnto a ferne/ somethinge roughe/ but not so finelye deuided/ the roothe is full of heares wherein are cōteyned certayne lōge thinges lyke the feet or claspers of a fysh/ called Polipus/ & they are of a thicknes of a mans lytle fyngre/ greene wythin and somethinge russet.

The vertues of Polipodium oute of Dioscorides.



Polipodiu hath the poure and vertue to purge. It is good to be geuen sodden wyth a henn/ or wyth fishe/ or wyth beates/ or w malloves to make a pur-

gation. The poudie of the roote myxed wyth mede/ dothe purge coler & flemme/ it is exceeding good to be laide one those membres that are oute of ioynte/ and agaynste the chappes or rystes that are in the fingers.

The vertues of Polipodium oute of Mesue.

Polipodiu is the roote of an herbe that groweth vpon stones & trees/ whiche the Grecianes call Dendropterim/ & is tree ferne. It groweth vpon the stones is full of superfluous/ rawe/ and wyndye moisture/ whiche ouerturneth the stomacke. It is better that groweth vpon trees/ & namelie/ suche as bare acerues or mastes/ specialle yf it be great/ so woude/ freshe & well fastened together/ full of knottes wythoute blackyshe redde & greene wythin as fistikes be/ w a swete taste/ astringent/ somethinge bitter and somethinge spicie. It scowreth away grosse & tough humors: it maketh rype & dryeth vp. It purgeth ye euē from the iointes/ melācholy or grosse/ or towgh flemme. It is good for these causes for all diseases that arysse of melācholy as the quartayne yf it be taken wyth mede/ doder of tyme salt Indian. All maner of wayes it is good for the colike and for the hardnes of the mylt. Polypody drieth & lesseth or thinneth the body. To auoyde that/ that shall not bringe the stomacke to vomitinge/ it must be geuen wyth mede or barley water/ or the brothe of rasines/ or wyth the broth of cockes/ or hēnes/ or sod-

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Of Fenel.

den wyth whay. It is good to drinck it mixed wyth well sauoringe sede/ and other spycy thynges as anise/ carua/ fenell/ ginger/ and suche lyke that cōforte the lyffe of the naturall power of the stomacke. Polypody can byde lōge sethinge inough. It maye be geuen from ii. drames vnto six. Thus far- mesue/ an vnce & an halffe of our Englishe Polypody will scarcely purge/ som vñe to drye the rote/ & to geue a drā of the powder at the lest for a pur- gatio/ & bid the patient after it iiii. houres. The styllled water of Polipodii as Tragus wyrteth/ is good for the quartayne/ for the cōwgh/ for y short winde/ against melancholpe/ against greuous and heuyn dreame/ if it be dō kē certaine cōtynuall dayes together. But I thinke that the wine that y ro- tes are soddē in/ & made a lytle swete wyth sugger or hony/ shoulde worke muche better/ for the aboue named purposes/ then y water/ whych of what soeuer herbe it be of/ hath no suche strength as y iuice and broth of the same herbe. Is ther any water better then rose water is/ and hath more strēgh of y rose/ and yet is. vnces of the iuice of roses/ worketh more in purgynge/ the xvi. of water. wherfore I can not so muche commende the distilled wa- ters of herbes as I do the iuice and brothes/ of the same/ wherin the her- bes are sodden.

Of fenel.



Eniculū is called in Greke Marathō/ in Englishe fenel or fenkel/ in Duche finchell/ in frenche fenou- nil. Fenel is a great & a lōge herbe/ somtyme higher then a man/ the stalke is great and full of ioyntes/ y leaues are very lōge and small/ the flour is yelow/ y top is lyke vnto the top of dill/ the sede groweth thick in the top wythout any coueringe/ it is som- thinge croked lyke a horne/ the outsyde of it is full of gutters and cresses/ the rout is longe and white.

The properte of Fenell out of Dioscorides.

Fenell/ if the leaues be eaten/ or yf the sede be dronken wyth a pti- same: filleth weomens papes wyth milke/ y brothe of y toppes of the leaues is good to lay vnto y back/ for the ake in y kidnees/ for it dry- ueth furth water. It is good to be drōkē in wine against y bytynge of ser- pentes. It prouoketh flowres/ in an age w drōken wyth colde water/ it sla- keth the lothsunnes/ and the heate of the stomacke. The rotes of fenel bro- kē/ and layde to wyth hony/ are good agaynst the bytynge of a dogge. The iuice whiche is pressed out of the stalke & leaues/ and dreyed in the sonne/ is put vnto those medicines that clere and bryghe the eyesight. In som places men vñe to cut the stalke of fenell/ and to take out of it a iuice like a gumme whiche is verpe good for the eyes.

Out of Macer.



Enell prouoketh men to the procreation of childer/ the ser- pētes chow this herbe/ and purge and clere theyr eyes ther wyth/ whetof learned mē dyd gather y it shoulde also be good for mans eyes. The iuice of fenell put into a mans eares/ kil- leth the wormes therein: the vñe of fenell wyth wyne is good against the swellynge of the dropsye. It is also good both for

Of Fenel.

Fenicalum,

Fenell or Fenhell.



gendreth milke.

for diseases of the liuer and the longes. The broth that the rootes of fenell is sodden in/ wheter it be water or wine/ is good for the diseases of the bladder and kidneys. It dryueth furth water/ if it be layed vpon the belly a litle aboue the priuites. The broth of the rote helpeth yake of the pearde/ if it be therewith bathed. It will do the same put vnto oyle and layde to: seth fenel and vinegar together/ and it will swag any swellinge that cometh sodely by bytynge. The seede stirreth mankind to the procreation of childer. And the same is good for a pleuresy/ and so is y broth of the herbe. Autours wryte that serpentes waxe yonge agayne by tastinge and eatynge of this herbe/ wherfore sum thinke that the vse of the herbe therfore is very mete for aged folke.

Out of Aetius.

Fenell is so hote that it may be rekened to be hote in the thyrde degre/ and it drieth in the first degre/ and therfore it en-

Of Fenegreke.



Fenum grecum is called in Greke Telis/ in Englishe Fenegreke in Duche Bucks horne/ in frêche Fenegreke. It groweth in Italy and Germany. This herbe is also called in Greke Keratitis/ y is horned/ aigokeros/ y is gotis horne/ and bokeros that is cowis horne/ it is also called in latin siliqua/ silicia & silicula. Fenegreke ruineth by wyth small litle braunches & stalkes/ whiche are rede/ y lese is lyke vnto trifoly thre leaved grasse. The flour is lytle & whyte/ the seede is rede/ & it is conteyned in a long cod/ lyke a horne/ the rote is rounde and luthinge longe.

The vertues of Fenegreke out of Dioscorides.



The flour or meale of fenegreke hath power to soften/ & to drive away. The same sodde in mede/ if it be layed to/ is good both against inwarde and outwarde inflamations or burnynges wyth salpeter and

Of Fenegreke.

Fenum Grecum

Fenegreck.



and vineger: it minisheth the milt: the inice of the broth is good for womans diseases/ if they sit in it and be bathed therewith/ whether the mother is stop ped or is swelled. The broth that it is sodden in/ streyned and layde to the head / purgeth the here & scoureth awaye scurf & the runnyng lores of the heade/ if that the naturall place of conception be harde and strepte (by reason wherof sum women bringe furth ther childer with great ieperdy) if ye mixe fenegreke and gose fat/ and put them together in the conuenient place/ accordynge vnto the discretio of an honest midwyff: enlargeth and softeneth it. If it be layde to grene with vineger/ it is good for rawe places that haue the skynne of. The broth of it is good agaynst the often vaine desyre of goinge to stole/ and agaynst the stynkinge fylthe of the bloody flir. The oyle that is pressed out of it & of myxtilles/ scoureth awaye the starres of the priuitees.

Of Strauberies.



Ragraria is called in Englishe a Strawberye leafe/ whose frute is called in Englishe a strawberry/ & in Latin fragu/ in Duche Erdbber/ in Frenche fraissie. The strawberye ry- neth vpon the grounde/ and hath a litle roughe stalke/ and in the toppe of it growe whyte floures/ after the whych floures be gone/ ther growe berries/ whiche are grene first/ and

Of Fenegreck.

Fragaria

Straunberrie

and afterward rede. The leafe is in-
dētīd/ & alwayes thre of them grow
together/ & rote is in som place blake
and som place redyshe.



The vertues of Strawberries.



Strawberies leaues ta-
ken in meate/ helpeth
thē that are diseased in
the milt/ & so doth also
the iuice dronke wyth
hony. The same is good

to be geuen wyth peper for them that
are short winded. Strawberyes
quenche thirst/ and are good for a
cholerike stomack. Ther is a iuice
pressed out of strawberries/ whiche
by cōtinuance of tyme encreaseth in
stregh/ and that is a present remedy
against the sores and wheales of the
face/ & against the blodshotten eyes.
The brothe of the rothe swageth the
heate of the liuer/ dronken the mor-
ninge eueninge. Many vse this herbe
to ioyne together grene woundes/ to
stoppe laces/ and ishewes of women/
to strenghehen the gūmes/ & to take

away the sores or wheales of y^e mouth/ and the stinkinge of the same. The
frut semeth to haue som warment in it/ but the leafe is colde.

Of the Ashe tree.



The tre is called in Latin fraxinus/ in Greke melia/ & is named
in Englishe an ashe tree/ in Duche ein Esch baum/ in freche
frailne: as Theophrastus wyrteth there are two kyndes of
ashes/ of y^e whiche the one is verie high & tall/ & the wood
of it is whyte/ & hath as it were grosse baynes or synewes/ &
it is softer/ smother/ and more curled then the other is. The
other kinde is lower and groweth not so highe/ and more rowghe/ harder/
and yelow. The leaues are lyke vnto the brodder bay leaues/ but they
are sharper and indētīd round about the edges/ the hole lytle sot stalk/ that
all the leaues grow on/ is a grene herbishe thinge/ and not woodyshe/ and
vpon that the leaues growe/ in a distincte order a small space goinge be-
twene one another/ and they grow of eche side of the litle stalke by coples
one ryght ouer agaynst another/ after the maner of the sorbe aple tree lea-
ues do grow. The sede of the ashe tre groweth in long thinges like burdes
tōges/ whych are called of som wyrters euen for that cause / lingua auium,
and they are called in Englishe ashe keyes/ because they hangh in bunches
after the maner of keyes.

The

*Because they
hang in bunches
called Keyes.*

Of the herbe called Gallion.

The vertues of the ashe tree.

The inice of the leaues of an ashe tree/ether/in oyntment/ or dronken in wyne/ is good against the bitynges of vipers or adders. The ashes that are made of the barke/layed to wth water/taked awaye le pers. Sum rekē that the pouder or clippes/ or scrapinges of the wood/ will destroye a man.

Out of the later wryters.



The water y^e is distilled out of the barkes of the ashe tree/ is a singuler remedy agaynst the stone and agaynst the jaundes: The leaues of the ashe sodden in wyne/ and dronken/ are good for them that haue the disease of the mylte/ and of y^e lyuers/sum do holde that the inice that is pressed out of the ashen leaues/ if it be dronken wyth wyne/ is good to make fatte men leane:but of this thyng as yet I haue no experiens. There be sum also of that opinion/ that they iudge that the continuall drynkinge in an ashen cuppe/ lesseth the mylte as the olde Autors wyte / that the drynkyng in tamarisks doth.

Galion

Maydens heyre.



Gallium cruciatum.

Of the herbe called Gallion.



Galion or Gallion is named in Englishe in the northe countrey Maydens heire / in Duche vnser lieuen frawē betstro/in frē che/petit muguet. Ther are two kyndes of Gallion/ the greater are the lesse/ the lesse kynde agreeth better wyth the descriptiō as here after ye may se. Galion hath the name of that propertye that it hath in crud- dyng of milke/ it may occupye the place of cheslope / or a runnyng. Gallio hath a braunche and a leaue very lyke vnto cleuer/ or goosshareth/ & y^e ryght by/ it hath a small yelow flowre in the toppe/thick plenteous and well smellynge.

The vertues of Gallion.



The flour is good to laye to burnt places/ it stoppeth the gushinge out of blode/mēge this herbe wyth a cyr ope or oyntment made wyth rose oyle & ware/ and layed in the sonne vntill it waxe whyte/ and then it will refreshe them that are wery/ the rotes prouoke men to the naturall office of matrimony.

Of rede

Of Galiopsis.

Of rede Archangell.



Aliopsis sayth Dioscorides hath a leafe & stalkes in all poyntes like vnto a nettell but smother/whiche yf he be brused/hath a ströge sm king sauor/and it hath a small purpell floure/and it groweth about hedges/and about howses/and oostymes in gardynes amonge other herbes wythout settynge or sowynge.

The vertues of Galeopsis.



He leaues/the stalkes/the sede/and the iuice of rede archangell scatter away harde lumps and cancrs/and driue away/ and disperse harde wennes/ & swellinges/ called in Latyn Danos/ and the inflamed swellinges behynde y eares. He must twyse on the day lay the emplaster warme to yd vinegre/ and bathe y place wyth y brothe of it. It is very good to laye it to rotyng sores/etynge sores/and to deadly burnynges/called Gangreues.

Of Browme.



Genista is called in Englishe Browme/in Duche Genist or yfrim/ in frêche Dugenet. Many well learned mē haue iudged the busse y we call browme/whiche is called of y Latines Genista/to be Spartio of the Grecianes/ and Plinye y noble cleark wytyng of Genista in the xlii. booke/ of his naturall stories/in the ix. chapter/ do woteth wheter Genista be Spartium of the Grecians or no. But if they y of late haue cōfounded Genista wyth Sparto/ and Plini/whiche doubted whether Genista were Spartium or no/had sene both our comen broum that groweth in the fel-des/ and it that groweth only in gardines/ whiche because it cam from beyounde y Sea/wy cal frêche browme: they would not haue cōfounded the/ nether Plinye would doubted/whether y one had bene the other or no. The frêche brou/which of late yeres cam to vs out of Spayn/is much tauler/then the comen broume is: the twygges are long/ grene/ and smothe/re-semblyng in all thynges a rishe/sauyng that in som there appere litle leaues/ & so litle that scarsely they deserue to be called leaues. I thynke that because Dioscorides sawe them so litle & so few/ that he would not call them leaues. The broum which is called in Latin Genista / hath cornered and roughe twygges/euen as the Poete Calphurnius in thys verse witnesseth:

Molle sub hirsuta latus exposuere Genista.

They haue streched furth theyr soft syde vnder the roughe broume.

Then when as our gardin frenche broume is smouth/ it can not be Genista whereof Calphurnius maketh mention. The leaues of the broume are of two sortes/ they that are in the endes/ are very small lyke vnto them that are in y Spanishe broume. But they that are benethe/ are somthyng ly-ke rue leues/the twygges are roughe and fuesquared. which markes are for differyng both from the description of Dioscorides/ & the lykenes of our Frenche or Spanishe broume.

The vertues of Browme.

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Browme

Of Gentian.

Browme sede taken in the quantite of a dram/ or a dram and a halfe/ purgeth waterishe humors. If it be taken wyth a draught of mede or whay/ it driueth suche mater from the ioyntes/ both by vomit and purgation. It suffereth not any to wogh humors to abide in the bladder or kidnes. The later wryters vse the water agaynst the stone. Other take the leaues and twygges of it/ and stepe the a fye or sixe dayes in vineger/ and then bruse them/ and presse oud a iuice/ the whiche they geue in the quantyte of two ounces and a halfe to them that haue the Sciatica. I thinke it were better to mixe it wyth oyle/ & so to laye it vpon the greued place/ then to take it inwarde/ except the pacient were very stronge/ & vomit & is prouoked by browme/ is good for the diseases of & gowt / & sciatica & the disease/ & the kidnes. It hurteth & stomake & & hert/ wherfore if ye take it inwarde/ you must take it wyth rosed honye/ or wyth rose leaues/ wyth fenell sede and anyse sede. The floures of browme sodden in the quantite of thye drammes in whaye or in mede/ purge as the sede doth. He may take more or lesse accordinge to the strenghe of the pacient. Browme is hote and drye in the seconde degree.

Of Gentian.

Gentian.



Gentian is called in Greke Gētiane/ and in Englishe Gentian / in Duché Entian/ in frēche/ de la Gentiane. Gētius the kynge of the Illyrians was & first fynder of this herbe/ whiche he of his name called Gētian: the leaues whiche growe about the rote/ are lyke the leaues of a walnut tree/ or the leaues of plantayne/ and they are som thinge rede in the part whiche is aboue & middes of the stalke/ they are somthinge iaged. The stalke is smothe and emptie wythin/ of the thicknes of a mans finger/ full of ioyntes/ & at euery ioynt come out leaues. It is som tyme two cubites high: it hathe a brode lyght sede/ in litte vesseles/ som thinge rowghe or chafye lyke vnto the sede of the herbe called Spōdilion. The rowte is lyke vnto & rowthe of longe Aristolochia / it is thicke and bitter/ and it growethe in & hyghe toppes of montaynes & in shadowe and waterishe places. I haue sene it in the alpes growinge betwene Italy and Germany/ it groweth also plenteously in many places of highe Germanye as they tolde me that sawe it ther.

Of Gentiane.

The vertues of Gentiane.



He vertue of the roote is hetinge and byndynge together. If it be dronke in the quantite of ij. drames wyth peper rue and wyne/it helpeth the bytinge of serpentes. A drame of the iuice helpeth the syde ake/ them that are brused wyth a fall/ the places that are bursten and shonke together. It is good for the that haue the disease of the liuer and stomake/ if it be dronke wyth water. If the rote be conueniently layed to the naturall place of conception/ it helpeth the women more easely to brynge fourth ther childer. It is also good for woundes/ & it is also a remedy against sores & eate inwarde and make depe holes. The iuice is good for the same purpose. The same is good or to anoynt sore eyes whych that are inflamed. The rote scowreth away the freckles and foul spottes. I haue sene som make a lee or an asshe water of the rotes of Gentian/ wher wyth they toke out spottes very well out of clothes. The roote is muche vled in suche compositiones as are made against popsones and venomes.

Geranium l. Pinke nedle.

Geranium alterum,

Cranes bill.



Geranium cicutar.

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Geranium III.



Geranium IIII.



Geranium V.



Geranium VI.



Of Getion

Of Pinke nedle and Cranes bill.



Geranium after Dioscorides hath leaues lyke vnto Anemone/ but the cuttynge is ferther in and deper/ the rowte is som thinge rounde and swete when it is eaten. This kynde is cal led in Englishe/ Pinke nedle or starkis byll. The secōde kynde of Geranium hath a small rowghe stalke a fote and a halfe lō ge/ and it hath leaues lyke vnto a Mallowe in þ high toppe of þ herbe/ or thinges lyke Cranes heades/ ther billes are lyke dogges tethe.

The vertues of Geranion.



Draime of Geranium Dronkē wryth wyne/ driueth away and scattereth the wyndenes of the mother. The later wrytters haue founde þ these kindes of Geraniū are good for woundes & for many other thinges that Dioscorides maketh no mention of/ but I do not make mētion therof/ because I dowt whether they haue suche properties or no/ as they geue vnto them.

Of Cines.

Getion.



Etion is called in En glishe a Cyue or a Ci uet or a Chyue/ the Du che men call it Briske lauch & schnitlauch/ it is called in frēche cyues & Ciuous/ it is called in Latyn Cepa Ballaca na/ Fuchsius hath erreth muche in takinge of this herbe for Dorro sec tiuo/ and meny other haue erred w him/ for this herbe is not of þ kynde of lekes/ but of þ kynde of an vnion/ for it hath hollow rownd leaues of an vnion/ & not the brode leaues of a leke/ but that herbe whiche is cal led in Latin/ Dorru sectium/ is cal led in Englishe/ frēche/ leke/ and is well knowne both in Cambridge & in London and in many other pla ces of Englande by that name/ and that hath the very leafe of the comē leke/ sauinge it is smaller/ and that leke groweth not by seede/ but by the rote as in the description of the leke I shal more plētuouslye decla re. Thus herbe groweth not in En glande that I know out of gardēs/ but in Germany it groweth wilde

Cambridge

by the Renis syde a litle from Bonne/ where as I haue sene it in plentie.

B iij The

*Did not know
Chives out of garden*

Of Auenes.

The vertues of Getin.

Yf ye be desyrours to know the vertues of synes or sweth/loke in the cha-
pter of vnions/ and ther ye shal fynde them holt at the lest in the thirde
degre/ for it hath the same propertie that vnions hath/ sauinge that they are
som thynge greater & hotter as experiēce doth teche vs/ and Pliny doth say
also/ whereas he calleth a cyne a vnion/ that it is fit for to make sauce of.

Of Auenes.

Geum. Auenes.



Geum is called in En-
glishe Auenes/ in Du-
che benedictē kraut/ in
frenche salmondes/ it
is named of the herba-
ries / Gariophyllata /

Sana mūda/ & benedicta. Geū sayth
Pliny hath lytle smal blacke rotes &
well sauorynghe/ & more cōcerninge
p̄ descriptiō of Geum/ can I not fynde
in any auncyent wryters / the leafe
of Auenes is depelye cutt & iagged/
and it is rowgh/ and blackishe/ gene-
in a maner after p̄ falsiō of Agziony/
p̄ stalke is rownde/ all hery & rowgh/
p̄ flower is yelow e/ and in forme lyke
a litle eye/ when the flower is gone/
ther ryseth by a great knop all full of
lytle rownde thinges lyke berryes of
a purpell color.

The vertues of the herbe
called Geum.

Plini wryteth that Geum doth
not onely heale and take away p̄
payne of the brest and of the syde/ but
also taketh awaye rawnes wpyth his
pleasant tast.

The vertues of Auenes out of the later wryters.

The cōmen propertie and vse of this rote is suche/ that if men put it in
to wyne/ that it maketh it pleasant both in smellinge & taste. Many
new wryters holde p̄ wyne wherin the rote of this herbe is steeped/
refresseth the harte and maketh it merrie/ & that it openeth/ the stoppinge of
p̄ lyuer/ & p̄ it helpeth p̄ stomake whiche is hurt w̄ colde & grosse humors/ p̄
wyne also wherin p̄ rote of this herbe is sodden/ clengeth & scowreth woun-
des/ and namely fistulas and cankers/ the same scowreth out foule spottes/
if the face bewashed dayly therwpyth.

Of the herbe called Gingidion.



Gingidiō is a lytle herbe lyke vnto wilde carret/ but smaller and bit-
terer/ the roote is smalle/ whitishe/ and somewhat bytter/ this is
the falsiō of Gingidiō/ and the description of it after Dioscorides/
Bewel.

Of the Herbe called Gingidion.

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Gingidion,

Cheruel.



Rewellius/Fuchsius/ and Ceshnerus/ thre great learned men holde in ther bokes / that Gindion is the herbe which is commonly named of the commen arberies Ceresolium/ in Englishe Cheruell/ in Duche Keruel oder kerbel kraut/ in frêche Cersuile. How be it/ I dare not geue sentence wyth them/ bycause I can not fynde the bittenes and the astriction or byndynge in oure cheruel that Dioscorides and Galene require in theyr Gingidion. How be it/ the forme and fassion of the herbe it agreeth well inough wyth the description of Gingidion. Columella in his v. boke/ whiche is de cultu hortorum/ that is of the trimynge or dreslinge of gardens in this verse. Iam breue cherephylum, & torpenti grata palato. Semeth to call that herbe cherefilon: whiche the comē herbaries call cherephyllion/ whiche is in Englishe our cheruell.

The vertues of Gingidion oute of Dioscorides.

The leaues of Gingidion both raw and sodden/ or kept in sucket or sauce is good for the stomak/ and they are good to prouoke bryne/ & brothe of it droncken wyth wyne is good for the bladder.

The vertues of Charuell, oute of the later wryters.

The iuice of the herbe and the water whiche is stilled/ if it be dronken/ dissolueth and breaketh in sounder the blode whiche is runne together/ ether by the reason of betinge or by a fall/ the leaues of cheruel brused and layde to after the maner of an im plaster/ dryue awaye all swellynge and bruses that come of betinge or of falles/ euen as the herbe called *scala cæli* doth.

Of Nigella Romana.

It/ other wyse called Melanthion/ and also Melaspermion/ is called in Englishe Nigella romana/ as the apothecaries call it also/ in Duche/ Schwartz kummich/ in frenche Niele. It hath small braunches/ som tyme excedynge two spannis in length/ it hath lytle leaues lyke grownsell/ but muche smaller: in the toppe of the herbe ther groweth a lytle thynne heade lyke vnto poppy/ but it is somthinge longe/ there rymneth thorowgh the heade certayne fyl-
B iij mes

Of Git or Nigella Romana.

Git or Nigella Romana.

mes or skynnes/wherin is conteyned a blacke seede sharpe and well finelinge. All this description of Dioscorides agreeth well vnto oure Nigella romana / sauinge that ther is no suche lyknes betwene it & grownsell/ as Dioscorides semeth to make by comparynge of these two together/ whiche two herbes now we in oure tyme are vnylike one to another / that no man will saye ther is any lyknes betwene them at all/wherfore it appereth that ether we haue not the same Git that Dioscorides hath sene in his tyme/ or elles this worde Eriogonon is put in Dioscorides Greke terte in the stede of som other worde. Now be it the properties of oure Nigella romana doth agree well wythe it & Dioscorides describeth/ and therfore yow maye be bolde to vse it.

The vertues of Git or Nigella Romana.

Nigella Romana layde vnto a mans forehead / releaseth the heade ache/ it helpeth blod-

shoten eyes/ if the disease be not olde/ if it be broken and put into the nose/ thylles wyth the oyle of flour delice or Treos. It taketh away lepers/ frekelles/ hardnes and old swellinges/ if it be layde to with vinegre. The same layde to with stale pylle will take awaye aguayles that are scotched about after the maner of a circle. The broth of it wth vinegre is good for the tothe ache. Anoynt the nauell wyth the water that this is sodden in/ and it will dryue out the rounde wormes of the belly. It healeth them that haue the poxe/ if ye breake it and laye it vnto your nose. If it be taken many dayes together wyth wyne/ it byngeth downe flowres/ and causeth a man make water better/ & draweth furth mylke into the brestes/ and it is good for them that are short wynded. A dram weyght of it/ dronken wyth water/ healeth the bytynge of the felde spyder. The smoke of it/ dryueth serpentes away. Take hede that ye take not to muche of this herbe/ for if ye go beyonde the mesure/ it byngeth deth.



Of Vuadde.

Vuadde is called in Latin Glastū/ in Greke Ilatis/ in Duche wayd or weyt/ in Italien Guado/ in frenche Guede: Ther are two kyndes of wadde/ the garden or sowen wadde/ and the wilde or unsowen



Both from
Fuchs.

lowen wadde: the diers occupy the garden wadde/ or that kynd of wadde
whiche is trimmed wyth mannes labor in dyenge of wull and clothe. And
it hath a leafe lyke vnto plynatayne/ but thicker/ and blacker: the stalke is
more then two cubites longe/ the wilde wadde is lyke the lowen wadde/
and it hath greater banes lyke vnto Lettysce/ small stalkes/ and muche
deuyded/ some thynge redyshe/ in whose toppes ther hang certayne vesselles/
muche lyke vnto lytle tonges/ wherin the seede is containyd/ it hath a small
yelow floure. This herbe is called in Englande/ new ashe of Ierusalē. The
former kynde groweth muche in the countrey of Iulyske/ and in some places
of Englande. The wyld kynde groweth not in England that I know/ sa-
uyng onlye in gardens/ but it groweth plenteousslye wythout anye so-
wyng in high Germany by the Renes syde.

not English

Of the vertues of wadde.



Dioscorides/ The leaues layde to after the maner of an empla-
ster/ swage all kyndes of swellinge. They ioyne together gre-
ne woundes/ and stoppe y runnyng out of blod. They heale
saint Antonies fyre/ or cholerike inflammationes/ consumyng
sores/ & rotyng sores/ that runne at large. The wilde wadde
both dronken & layd to emplastre wyse/ helpeth the milt.

Of

The surely con-
found: The four Hands

Of Cottenwede.



Dioscorides sayeth that Gnaphalium hath lytle softe leaues/whiche some vse for downe or stuffinge of beddes/ and other Description of Gnaphalium/ can I neither fynde in Dioscorides nor Plinye/ but I haue sene the herbe ofte in many places of Germany/ & in some places of Englande: It is a short herbe not a spanne longe/ & at the fyrst sight it is lyke a braunche of rosamary/ but that the leaues are broder & whiter: in y^e toppe is a small yeolowe floure: y^e leaues/ when they are dyed and broken/ are almost nothinge els but a certayne downe/ wherwyth because men in tymes past did stufte pillowes & quilshions/ it was called of the Latines Cetrunculus/ and herba Centuncularis. It maye be called in English Downewede/ because the leafe broke/ is lyke Downe or cotton.

Gnaphalium,

Cottenwede.



The vertues of Cottenwede.



It is good to be geue in tarte and bindynge wyne/ to them that haue the bloddy flire/ or other comen flire/ and it is good to stoppe the bloddy issue that weomen vse some tymes to haue. It is good to be put into the fundament agaynste the disease which prouoketh a man oftentymes to go to the stole/ and when he cometh ther/ can do nothinge. It is also good to be layd vpon olde rotten sores. I thinke that the herbe which is called in Englande Cartifilago/ is a certayne kynde of the same herbe/ for theyr properties are lyke/ & their figures are not mucche vnylike.

Of Sea tryfolly.



Claire/ otherwyse called Engalacton/ because it maketh good plentye of mylke in those weomen that take it/ groweth by y^e seasyde/ and in the leaues it is lyke to the tree tryfollye/ called in Latin Cytisus/ and to lentylles/ whiche leaues in the ouer part are grene/ and in the nether part white. There cometh fourth from the grounde fye or six small braunches a spanne high/ and they come out of the earth from the rote: the floures are purple and lyke vnto a kynde of stoke gelauoze floures/ but they are lesser. I neuer sawe it in Englande/ sauinge onlye in maister Falconners booke/ and that had he brought out of Italy/ except my memory do fayle me/ I sawe it ones

*herba
vicia*

Of Sea tryfoly.

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Glaux, Sea trifoly.



*What is this
ask Miss Crag*

ones in Flaunders by y sea syde about thre myles beyonde Dunkyrke/ ther
is an herbe in Englande/ which some call Fenum grecum bluestre/ whiche
aunswereth in many thinges vnto the description of Glaux in Dioscorides/
howbeit I thinke it is not the trew Glaux that Dioscorides wrote of.

The vertues of Sea trifoly called Glaux.

This herbe sodden with Barly meale/ salt & oyle in a suppinge/ is good
to bringe milke agayne to them that haue lost the plenty of it.

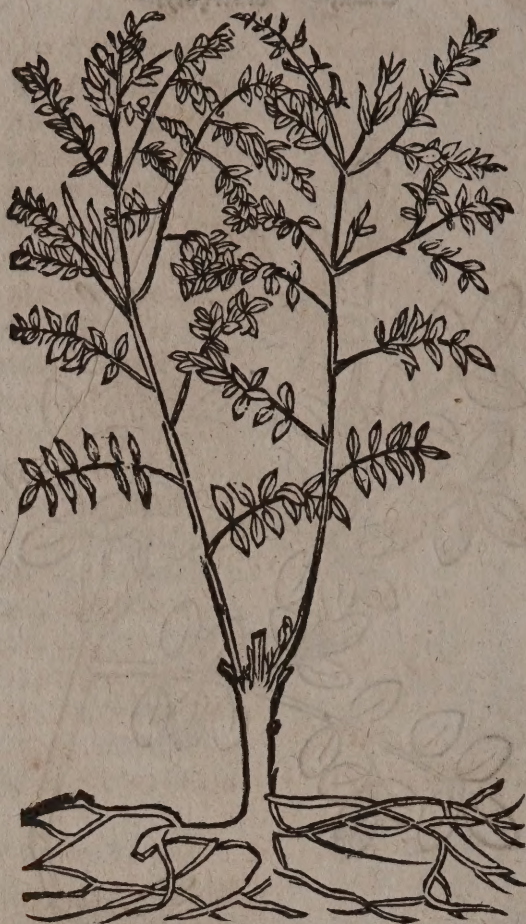
Of Lycorēs.



Lycyrhiza in Greke/ is called in Latin Radix dulcis, in En-
glishe Lycorēs/ in Duche Suesz holtz/ or licozis/ or clarish/
in Frenche Erculisse/ or Rigolisse. It groweth in the rockes
of Germanye/ wythout any settinge or sowinge. I neuer
saw it growe in England/ sayunge onely in gardens. Li-
corēs groweth very thicke and busshy/ and hath braunches
rysinge two cubittes highe/ the leaues are lyke vnto Mastycke tree leaues/
thicke and fatt/ and full of gomme/ when they are touched. The floure is
lyke

Of Lycorcs.

Radix dulcis. Licorcs.



lyke vnto the floure of Hyacinthus/ the frute is of the bignes of the pilles of the playne tree/ but rowgher/ and it hath lytle rede coddcs lyke vnto Lentylles. The rotes are longe as Gentians be/ & of the color of bore/a lytle tart swete.

The vertues of Lycorcs.

The iuice of Lycorcs is good for the harishenes or rowghnes of the throte/ but it must be holden vnder a mans tonge/ vntill it be moulten/ it is good for the heate of the stomacke/ brest/ and liuer/ dyncke it wyth maluesy/ and it will heale the scabbcs of the bladder/ and the payne of the kidnes/ the same moulten quenbeth thyrst/ it is good to heale woundes/ if it be layde to/ it healeth the mouth if it be chowed in it/ the brothe of the grene roote is good for the same purposes/ the pouder of it is good to cast vpon anguayles.

Of Cotton.



Cotton is called in Greke Kylon/ in Latin Gossypium/ in Duch Baumwoll/ in frenche du Cotton/ in barbarus Latin Cotonum/ and bombar bombacium/ and cottum. Cotton is a small busshy herbe wyth a lese lyke a binde/ but lesse/ It hath yelowc floures

Of Grasse.

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Gossipium.

Cotten.



floures/whiche are some thinge purple in the myddes/ the fruite is lyke a felberde/all full of Downe. I neuer sawe it/sauinge onelye in the vniuersite of Bonony. It groweth as I rede in good autours in great plenty in Egypt/ in Candi/ in Appulia/and in the pland Maltha.

The vertues of herbe Cotton.

The iuice of Cotton leaues/ is good for the lar of yonge chyl dren/and for the gnawynge/ or (as some call it) the grindinge of the belly. The seede is good for the cough and the diseases of the brest. The oyle that is made of the seede of cotton/ is good to take awaye freckles and spottes out of the face. The seede also vled in meate as the Physicians of Arabi do testifie/ multiplieth and increaseth the seede of man.

Of Grasse.



Grasse is named in Greke Agrostis / in Latin Gramen/ in Duches grasse/ in Frenche Dent de chien. Grasse crepeth v

lyke braunches/ & they come from swete rootes/ of full ioyntes/ & leaues are harde/ as y litle riedes leaues are/ also brode/ but they are sharpe towarde the ende. The leaues of grasse fede as Dioscorides sayth/ both horse & oxen/ and all suche lyke beastes as are called in Latin boues and iumenta. Ther when as the herbe that we call in Englishe stychemwort / groweth only in hedge sides & in woddes and shadowy places/ & that very thin/ so that xl. acres of the wodde or of any other places wher as it groweth/ most plentifully wolde not fede one yowre calffe iiii. dayes: I can not thinke / that stychemwort is the grasse that Dioscorides speaketh of. He presupposeth it to be in suche plenty/ that it were able to fede great numbers of beast and cattell in a smal space of ground.

The vertues of the right Grasse.

The roote of the right Grasse brused and layde to/ byndeth woundes together and closeth them vpp/ the broth of grasse dronken/ healeth gnawinges in the belly/ prouoketh vrine and breaketh the stony matter of the bladder.

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of

Of Scorpiones tayle.



Heliotropium the greater hath a flower lyke the Scorpiones tayle/ by reason wherof he is called scorpiuros / that is to saye / scorpiones tayle / and because it turneth the leaues about wyth the sonne / it is called Heliotropion / that is / turned wyth the sonne / or sonne flower. It hath leaues lyke vnto basil / but rowgher and whyter / & greater. There come thre braunches out of one roote / some tymes foure / & some tymes fyue / it hath a white flower in y^e toppe / or some thinge redyshe that turneth in agayne lyke a scorpiones tayle. The roote is small and good for nothinge: it groweth in rowghe places. I neuer sawe it growynge in Englande / nether in Germany / sauing only in my garden in Colen / & in my garde at m^ellis in Englande. in Italy I haue sene it in greate plenty in the feldes about Bonony / they are far deceyued / & haue deceyued many other / whiche haue wyrtten that our Englishe Marigolde is Heliotropion / for the description of Heliotropion / whiche a lytle before I haue taken out of Dioscorides and translated vnto yow / is nothinge agreinge wyth our Marigolde. wherfore trust nomore the vnlearned selfe made schisicianes / whiche teache you to call a Marigolde Heliotropion.

The vertues of Heliotropium.



A handfull of this herbe dronken / dryueth flemme an choler by the belly. It is good both dronke wyth wyne / and also layde to emplasterwise / for the bytinge of a scorpion. Some write that iiii. granes of the seide taken an howe before the fitt / endeth a quartayne / and that iij. granes heale a tertiane. The seide layd to emplasterwise / dryeth away hanginge wartes / fleshy swellinges lyke toppes of tyme / and lytle running sores / the leaues are very good to be layde to / for the distillation of children / whiche is called the lrisalis / it is good also for the gowte / and for places that are out of ioynte / it is good to bringe downe mens flowers / if the leaues be broken and layd to / they are good to dryue furth the birth of a woman.

Of Parietori or Pillitore of the wall.



Parine or Parditiō is called in Englishe Parietorie / or Pilletozie of y^e wall / in Duche saint Peters kraut / or tag vnd nacht / in Freiche du parietaire. The herbaries call it Parietariam. It groweth on walles & about the rootes of hedges / it hath leaues lyke Methucri / but rowghe: it hath lytle stalkes some thinge redyshe / and about them are as it were rowghe sedes which cleue vnto mens clothes.

The properties of Parietori or Pillitore of the wall.



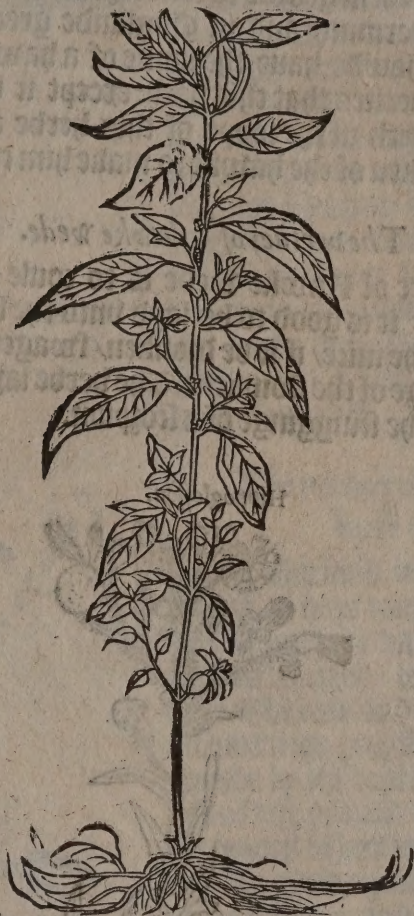
The leaues haue pow^r to coole and to make thick / by reason wherof by laynge of it to / it healeth hote inflammations / called saynt Antonies fyre / burnt places / harde lumpes / in the fundament wheles / called Danos / when they are in the beginninge / wellinges and hote burnynges / called inflammations.

The

Of Parietori or Pellitore of t' e wall.

Parietaria Parietori or Pellitore of the wall.

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The iuice of it wyth white leade/ is good for choleryke inflammations/ and for spredinges or runninge sores. It is also good for the goyote to be layd to wyth gotis sewett/ or wyth the ointement made of ware and oyle of puiet. The same dronken/ in the quantite of an vnice and a halfe/ is good for the old cough. It is good both to be gargled/ and also to be layde vnto for the inflammation and heate of the kirkelles vnder the iawes. If it be poureth into the eare/ it slaketh the ache therof/ so that rose oyle be mixed therwith.

Of Hawke wede.



Hieracium is of two kindes/ the one is called in Latin Hieracium magnū. It may be called in Englishe greate hawkewede/ or yealow succory. The greate hawkewede putteth furth a rowgh stalke som thinge redyshe & full of prickes/ the leaues are indented/ but euery cutte is a greate waye from another/ after the maner of sowthistell: it hath heades/ and in them yealow flowres. I haue sene this in greate plenty bothe in Englande and in Germany in the feldes about Bonne/ in Englande in the medowe a lytle from Shene/ the lesse hawkewede hath leaues standing a good waye from another/ iagged in the edges: it hath small lytle stalkes whiche are

C u grene

Shene

Of Horse tonge or double tonge.

grene/and in the top of them growe rownde yealow flowers. This herbe haue I seene both in Germany and in Englande great plenty/ I can not gesse why this herbe shoulde haue the name of a hawke/seinge other herbes haue the same properties that this hath: except it be for this cause that the downe that groweth in the toppe of this herbe after the flowers be gone/be good to be taken of the hawke to make him cast his gorge wyth it.

The vertues of Hawke wede.



The nature of Hawke wede is to coule and partly to binde/ wherfore it is good to be layd vnto the stomacke that is very hote. The iuice/ if it be dronken/ swageth the bytinge or the gnawinge of the stomacke. The herbe layde to wyth the roote/ healeth the stingginge of a scorpion.

Hippoglosson.



Of Horse tonge or double tonge.



Hippoglosson is called of some poticaries and herbaries *Viularia* & *Bonifacia*/ the bushe Hippoglosson hath leaues in figure like vnto the leaues of knee holme / otherwise called prickel bore: the toppes of the leaues are sharpe and about the higheste

Of Horffe tonge or double tonge.

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Hypoglossum. Horffe tonge or double tonge.



gheste part of the leaues come forth certayne lytle leaues lyke vnto tonges: this bushe is very lyke vnto it that is called *Laurus Alexandrina*/ but this hath tonges and sede in the leaues/ and the other only the fruite amonge y leaues/ & not lytle tonges/ wherfore thys semeth to be some difference betwene them. I haue sene *Hippoglosson* many tymes beyonde the see in high Germanye / and in Italpe/ but I neuer sawe it growinge in England.

The vertues of *Vaularia* or horse tonge.



Garland made of the leaues of hors tong/ & set next vpon vnto the bare heade as *Dioscorides* writeth / is good for y heade ache. The rote and the iuice is oft put into softinge playsters. It hath bene founde by the experience of Physicia- nes of late yeares/ that a spoun ful of the leaues of horstong beatē into pou- der/ are good against the stranglinge of the mother/ and also against bur-

stinge of chylder in the quantite of a dram and a half.

Of Selendine.



Glendyne is named in Latin *Hirundinaria*/ in Gre- ke *Chelidonium*/ in Duche *Schelwurtz*/ in frenche *Chelidoine* or *Esclere*. The greate *Selendine* hath a small stalke a cubite hye / or hygher wyth many to- growinges full of leaues/ the leaues are lyke crow- fote leaues/ but softer and blewish gray in color. The floure is lyke the floure of wall gelauore/ otherwi- se called hartes ease/ whiche cometh out about the settinge on of euery leafe. The iuice that is in it/ is lyke sassestone/ bitinge sharpe/ and som thinge bittre & stinkinge. The roote in the ouermoste part is single/ but beneth it hath many yealow tagges or berdes lyke heres. It hath a small codde lyke vnto horned poppe & long/ but it is euer smaller and smaller from the roote/ tyll it come at the toppē/ & in it is containeth a sede greater then poppe sede. Ther is an other kinde of *Hirundinaria* called in Greke *Chelidion minus*/ whose description in my iudgement agreeth well in all poyntes vnto the herbe whiche we call in Englishe *figg wurt*/ sayunge that it wanteth the heate whiche *Dioscori-*

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Of Selendine.

Chelidonium. Selendine Chelidonium minus.

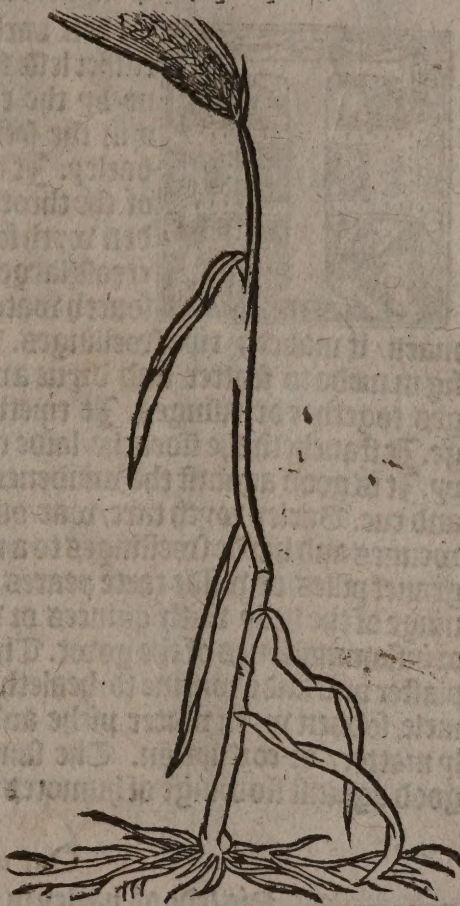
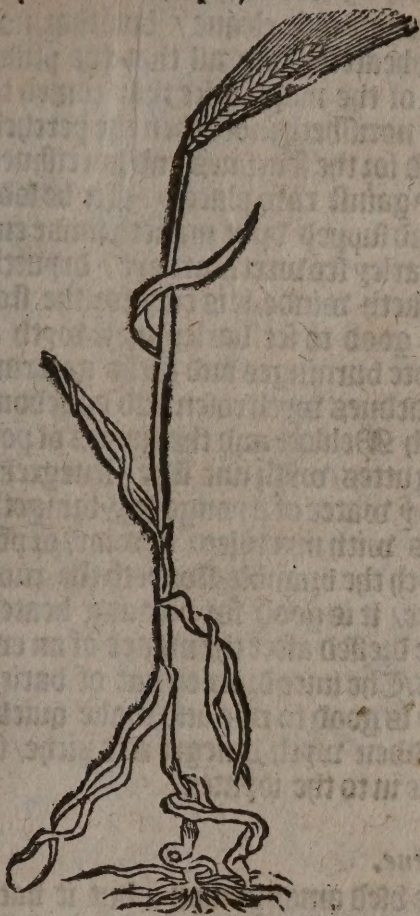


Des and Galen require in their lesse Chelidonio. Dioscorides describeth it thus. It is a lytle herbe hanginge vpon lytle twiggges/ whiche come out of the roote. It hath no stalke/ & leaues are lyke yui/ but rounder/ lesse/ tendre and som thinge fat/ it hath many rootes that come fourth of one harde lomp/ lytle and growinge together lyke wheate cornes/ wherof iij. or iiij. growe longe. It groweth beside waters & lakes. It hath a bytinge pour euen as Auemone hath/ in so muche that it will pull of the skinne/ if it be layde to. This herbe of ours called figwurt hath all these properties/ sauinge that it is nothinge hote at all that euer I could finde/ wherfore as this herbe by the lyknes may teche vs to finde out the true Chelidonium minus/ so I counsell no man to vse it for the lesse Celendine/ though he vse it for other purposes whiche the later wyrters haue wyrtten that it is good for.

The properties of Selendine.

The iuice of Selendine soddē in a copper vessel/ wyth hony/ maketh the eyght clere. In the beginninge of sommer ther is a iuice taken out of the leaues/ stalke/ and roote/ and the same dried in the sonne/ is made vp in to lytle cakes. The roote dronken wyth white wine/ and amle seide/ healeth the guelsonght or iaundes/ & runninge sores. The same chowed or layde to/ swageth the tothe ache.

of

*Hordeum polystichum.**Hordeum distichum.*

Of Barley.



Hordeū is called in Greke Crithe/in Englishe Barley/in Duche Gerst/in frenche Orge/it is of diuers kindes. The first kinde is called in Latin hordeum distichum/in Englishe Barley. The seconde kinde is called in Latin hordeum tetrastichum/in Englishe bigge barley/oz beare oz bigge/alone. This kind groweth muche in North country. The thirde kinde is called in latin hordeū hexastichum/I haue not sene this kinde in Englade/sauinge at Wellis in my gardē/but ofte tymes in highe Germanye/ wherefore it maye be called in Englishe/Duche Barley. The fourth kinde is called of Galene in the greke tonge Simnochritō/in Latin hordeum nudum/of other some/hordeum mūdum/ it may be called in Englishe/ wheate barley/ because it hath nomore huskes on it/ then wheate hath. It groweth in Italve and also in certayne gardines in Englande. Theophrast writeth thus of Barley and wheate in comparinge them together. Amongest the kindes of corne/wheate hath a narrower leafe then Barley hath/and a smother strawe and tougher. Wheate is couered wyth many cotes/ but Barley is naked and bare/ and of all kindes of corne/ it is moste destitute of a coueringe. Barley will som tyme chaunge into daruell/ and som time into wheate.

Of Barley.

The vertues of Barley.



The best barley is whyte and cleane / but that norisshet lesse then wheate: but for all that the ptisane by the reason of the moyst iuice that cometh to it in the sethinge / norissheth more then the perched barley. It is good for the sharpnes and harrishnes of the throte and against raw places / If it be sodden wyth fenell and supped by / it maketh milke encrease largely. Barley scowreth away / dryueth fourth water / maketh winde / it is euell for the stomack / it maketh ripe swellinges. It is good to set barley mele wyth a fig in mede to scatter and dryue away hote burninges and suche gateringes together or risinges. It ripeth all hardnes wyth rosen and doredonge. It stancheth the sideache / laide to wyth Melilote and the cuppes of poppy. It is good against the windenes of y guttes / wyth lint sede / fenegreke and rue. Barley wyth tarr / wax / oile / and y water of a yonge boy / bringeth wennes and harde swellinges to a ripenes with myrttilles / or wine / or pō granet pilles / or wilde tarte peares / or wyth the braimble / stoppeth the runninge of the belly with quinces or vinegre / it is good for burning heates or inflammationes of the gowt. The same dressed after the maner of an em plaster and laide warme to / healeth lepres. The iuice drawen out of barley mele / sodden wyth water piche and oyle / is good to ripe and make quickly matter / or corruption. The same knodden wyth vinegre and piche / is good against slowinge of humores downe in to the ioyntes.

Out of Galene.



His sede of barley is muche bled amonge men / but it hath not the same propertie that wheate hath / for wheate is euidently hote / but barley not only heateth not / but howsoeuer ye vse it / whether ye make breade of it / or make a ptisane of it / or ye make perched barley of it / alwayes it cooleth / but accordinge vnto the maner of dressinge / it moisteth for polenta / whiche is made of fried or perched barley / is tried to be dry / as the ptisane is knownen to moiste.

Of wall barley or way bent out of Dioscorides.



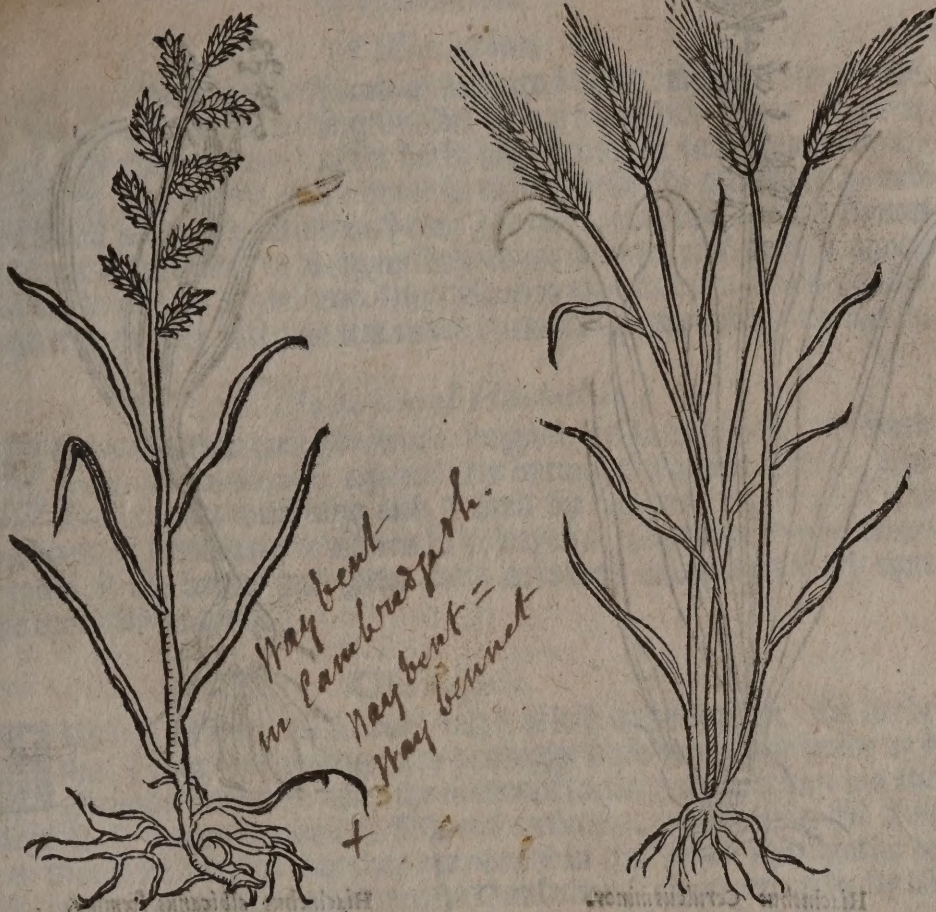
Phenix hath the leues of barley / but shorter and streiter / wyth an eare like vnto daruell. The stalkes are six fingers longe / & it hath seue or eight eares. It groweth in felde & in howses lately couerid. This herbe whych is called of Dioscorides Phenix / is named of Pliny / Phenicea / & he saith that it is called of the latines Hordeū murinū / & is wall barley. I marke y Dioscorides maketh his Phenix like vnto barley / only in y lese / & in y eare like vnto daruell / & that his phenix groweth both in felde / & also by howses lately couered. I marke y pliny calleth his Phenicea Hordeū murinum / wher by I gather that Plines Phenicea in y eare is like barley / for it hath not the name of the leafe alone / whiche disseuereth not barley from other cornes /

Of wall barley or way bent.

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Phoenix

Hordeum murinum.



nes/but of the eare. But y barley eare and the daruell eare are not like/ for
the one is without aunes/ and the other hath longe aunes/ therfore it appe-
reth y Phenix in Dioscorides/ and Phenicea in Pliny are not al one. If ther
be any difference betwene the (as ther semeth to be) then Phenix Dioscori-
des is called in Englishe way bent/ a Phenicea Pliny is called wall bar-
ley/ a howse barley. The way bet hath a leafe likegrasse/ a groweth plētuo-
usly in Cābridgeshire about highe wayes/ a y eare is like daruell/ a it were *Cambridgesh.*
like the comen barley y hath but two orders/ if it had awnes as barley hath.
The wall barley is muche like tho be barley whiche is called hordeum tes-
trastichon/ and it groweth commēly vpon mud walles that are lately ma-
de. I mervel that Bartholus redeth in his Pliny loliū murinum/ when as
mi Plini corrected by Erasmus and prynted by Frobenius/ hath horde-
um murinum/ and not loliū murinum.

The vertues of way bent.

Mall barley dronken wyth tart wine/ stoppeth the flux of the belly/ y
runninge of the mother/ and the burstinge out of man or womans
water. Some do write that this herbe bound to/ and hanged vp in
a cremesin flece/ stoppeth blode.

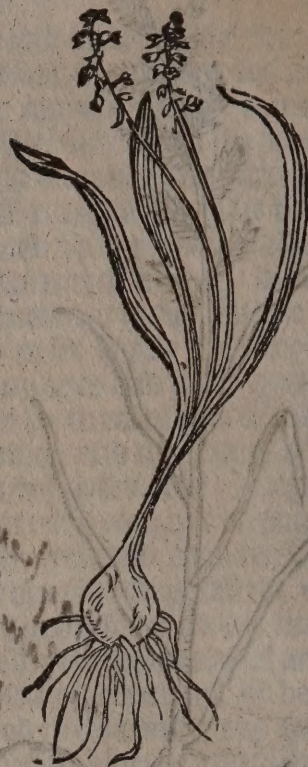
Hias

+ It is not Hordeum
murinum

Hiacinthus maximus.



Hiacinthus ceruleus maior.



Hiacinthus Ceruleus minor.



Hiacinthus albicanus foemina.



Of Hiacinthus.

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Of Hiacinthus.



Hiacinthus hath leaues like vnto þ herbe called bulbus/ it hath a stalke a span long/ smaller then a mans litle finger/ of grene color/ the toppe of the herbe hāgeth downe/ full of purple flowers/ þ roote is like vnto the rownd hede of a Bulbus. The best kinde of Hiacinthus þ euer I sawe/ was it that Lucas Gynus þ reader of Dioscorides in Bonony shewed me about a xiiij. yeares agoo/ harde by the mount Appennine. Hiacinthus is also commen in Englande/ though it be not of þ best/ and it is called crowsowes/ crowsote & crowsese.

The vertues of Hiacinthus.



He rote of this herbe dronken/ stoppeth the belly and driueth furth water/ it is a remedy against the bytinges of a felde spider. The seede is more bindinge and desired for triacles/ wyth wine if it be dronken/ it healeth the lawndes. The hopyes in Northūberlande scrape the roote of the herbe and glew theyr arrowes and bokes wyth that syne that they scrape of.

Of Hyosyris.



Hyosyris is like vnto succory/ but it is lesse and rowgher/ the herbe that I take for Hyosyris/ hath a rowghe leafe/ growinge harde by þ grounde indented/ after the maner of succory or dandelion/ but the teth are not so sharpe/ the stalkes/ flowers/ & downe are like vnto thē that are in Dandelion/ sauinge that they are roughe in this herbe/ and smothe in Dandelion. wherfore I name it roughe Dandelion. It groweth in sandy baron groundes/ and about casten diches that haue muche sand in them.

The vertues of Hyosyris.



Liny writeth/ if the leaues of Hyosyris be brused and laide to woundes/ it healeth them wonderfull well. It doth appeare by the taste of this herbe/ and certayne qualitties that I finde in it/ that it shoulde serue for the same purpose that succory and Endiue serue for.

Of saint Iohans grasse.



He herbe whiche is called in Greke Hypericon/ in Englishe saint Iohans grasse/ or saint Iohans wurt/ in Duche saint Iohans kraut/ of some herbaries fuga demonum/ groweth comely in wooddes and in hedges/ & in som gardines wythout any settinge. Dioscorides writeth thus of Hyperico. Hypericon is named of som Androsemo/ of other Corio/ of other Grounde pine/ because the seede of it hath the smell of rosin/ it hath a bushe like ferula/ that is to say/ fenel gyant a span long/ rede/ it hath a lese like rue/ a yealow floure like vnto wall gelouer. whiche if it be brused wyth a mans finger/ putteth furth a bloddy iuice/ wherfore som haue called it mans blode. It hath a cōd that is roughe and round of þ bignes of barley. The seede is blacke and of the

Of S. Iohans grasse.

Hypericon.

S. Iohans grasse.

of the smell of rosin. This herbe is called of some of the later wyters perforata/ that is throw holed/ bycause if ye set y^e leafe betwene yow and the sonne/ ther shall appere an infinite nombre of holes in the leaues.

The vertues of saint Iohans grasse.



Saint Iohans grasse driueth furth water/ if it belaide to/ it bringeth downe flowres. It deliuereth from tertian and quartan agues if it be drunken wyth wine. The sede drunken the space of xl. dayes/ healeth the sciatica. The leaues laide to em-plasterwise wyth the sede/ heale burninges.



Of Hysop.



Dioscorides leueth Hysop vnderdescribed / belike it was so well knowen in his dayes y^e he thought it neded not to be described

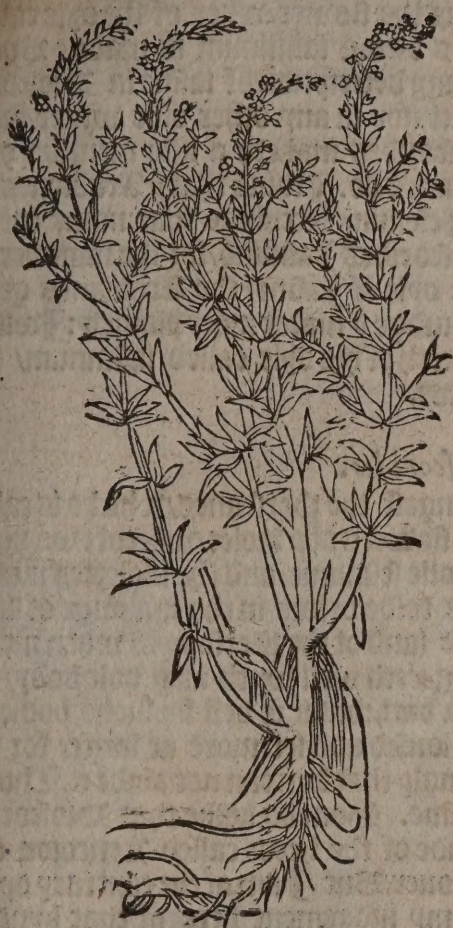
but by that meane it is now comene to passe that we do not whether this Hysop that we haue/ be the true Hysop of the auncient writers or no. Dioscorides in the description of Ograne/ compareth organe in likenes vnto the hysop/ but no organ that euer I saw/ whether it came out of Candi or out of Spaine/ or grew here in England/ like vnto oure Hysop/ for their is brode leaued/ and our hysop hath longe leaues/ wherfore ether we haue not the true hysop/ or els we neuer saw the true organ. The Hysop that Mesne also describeth/ is not agreinge wyth this oure Hysop as ye may perceyue by this his description that followeth here. Hysop is of two sortes/ ther is one mountaine Hysop/ and an other gardin Hysop. The gardin Hysop is halff a cubit hyghe/ & hath fewer stalkes and braunches the time hath. It hath leues like vnto time but greater/ the flour is purple/ the wilde is shorter and hath lesse leaues. We se here that Mesne maketh his hysopes leaues like vnto y^e leaues of time/ but we haue no suche hysop and time that agre ether in figure or bignes together/ wherfore it is to be suspect that ther is som better Hysop/ then this that we haue. Howbe it/ I thinke in vertue & propertie that it differeth nothinge from the hysop of the olde writers. We haue in Sumershire beside y^e comen Hysop that groweth in all other places of Englande/ a kinde of Hysop that is al roughe and hoy/ & it is greater muche and stronger then the comen Hysop is/ som call it roughe Hysop.

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Two kinds of English Hysop. One is the comen Hysop. The other is the roughe Hysop.

Hyfopus.

Hyfopum montanum Cilicium.



The properties of Hyfop.



Hysop hath the vertue to make fine and to hete. The brothe of Hyfop made with figges/water/hony/and rue/dronken/helpeth the inflammation of the longes/ the olde coughe/ the shortwinded/rheumes or poles/and them that can not well take theyr breth. It killeth wormes. It hath the same power if it be licked in wyth hony. The brothe of it dronken wyth a drinke made of hony and vinegre/ called orinell/ draweth out grosse humores thorow the belly/ and it is good to be eaten wyth grene figges to make yow go to the stole/ but it worketh better if Aris be put therto/ or Cardamome or Ireo. It kepeth and maketh the color of the body continew still. Wyth a fyg and nitre/ it is good for the mylt and for the dropse. It is vled to be layde vnto burninge heates or inflamationes wyth wine. It druleth and scattereth awaye the blue markes of brusinges. It is good to be gargled wyth the brothe of figges against the quinsy. The broth of Hyfop wyth vinegre swageth the toth ache if the mouth be washed ther wyth. The brethe or vapor of Hyfop driueth away the winde that is in the eares if they be holden ouer it.

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Of Gethsamine or Iesemin.



Iesemin or Gethsamine/as I suppose is called in Greke iasme/ and it is the flower/wher of the oyle called in Dioscorides oleum iasminum is made. But I finde nether any description of iasme in Dioscorides nor in Plini nor in any other olde writer/sauinge that Dioscorides maketh a litle mention of it/as also y Arabianes do. I think that y Arabianes/call this bushe Iesemin/ fetchinge that name corruptly out of Dioscorides Iasminu/ for the same vertues that Dioscorides assigneth vnto the oyle of Iasme/ the Arabianes geue vnto their Iesemin. But that ye may iudge y mater more plainly: I will reherse vnto you what Dioscorides writeth of his oyle called iasminum/ & what the Arabiane write of ther Iesemine.

Out of Dioscorides.



Her is an oyle made amongst the Persianes/whiche is called Iasminu/ of the whyte flowers of a violet/wherof two vnaces are put into a quart of oyle sesamine/and the violetttes must be oft changed/as we haue tolde before in the makinge of lily oyle. It is miche vled in the land of the Persianes/ when men be at meat to make a good smell: for it agreeth well wyth all y hole body/ & then specially when a man goeth into a bath: but it is best for suche bodiees as had nede to be made hote/ and to be loused and set more at large/ for it smelleth strongly/ for it smelleth so strongly that som can not abide it. Thus muche hath Dioscorides witten of Iasme. Som do holde that Dioscorides writeth here of the oyle that is made of the herbe called Leucoion in Greke/ and in Englishe white stock gelouer. But I am of the contrary opinion/ for Dioscorides speaketh not in my iudgement here of that kynde of Leucoion with the whyte flour: for that kinde of Leucoion with the flowre hath nether any suche smell as Dioscorides gyueth vnto Iasme/ nether any suche heat/ Dioscorides speaketh of: for Serapio writyng of the kyndes Leucoi sayeth these wordes. Et oleum quod ex eo fit, est temperatum subtile, & proprie illud quod fit ex eo, cum oleo amygdalarum dulcium, & coeleste, est debilis caliditatis, & album est debilius propter xquitatem quæ in illo est. Wherfore if the autorite of Serapio be to be receyved and allowed/ Matthiolus erreth/whiche writeth Iasminu to one oyle made of Leucoio wyth y whyte floures. If any man reply that our comen iesemine is no violet. I answer that I thinke that Dioscorides called that flowre of Iesamin a violet flowre/ of the likenes that it hath wyth the flour of a violet / as he calleth of times the pricky toppis of great thestelles echinos/ that is byrchens/ of the likenes that they haue wyth an brchen.

Out of the Arabianes.



Iesemin otherwoise called rambach is of two sortes/ the one hath a yealow flower/ and the other hath a white floure. The yealow is not so hote nor so myghtye in operation as the white is. The flowre is also founde in som place blewishe gray. Iesemin is hote in the beginninge of the seconde degre/ and

and it is good for moystenes and for salt flemme/ and for olde men of a cold complexion/ & it is good for aches that com of a clamy or to wogh humores/ when as the very and right naturall iefemin ether dried or grene/ if it be broken and laide vpon any tetter or foule spottes/ it will driue them away and will resolue all colde superfluites. It is good for the pose/ but it maketh and engendreth the heade ache in them that are of an hote complexion/ and the oyle of it is very good in wynter/ but it is to be ferde/ if that any man of a very hote complexion smell of it/ lest it make him blede at his nose. Compare these properties wyth the that Dioscorides geue vnto iasmino/ & ye shall fynde that in properties/ iasme doth agree very well wyth the iefamine of the Arabians.

Of Sciatica cresse or wilde cresse.

Iberis.



Because Dioscorides describeth this herbe Iberis/ in suche place as no herbes but trees are described/ and it is contrary vnto his cu-

stome to mixe yntreatiuge of herbes wyth trees: som holde y this herbe is not Iberis Dioscorides. And som gather y for this cause y this herbe that I intreate of/ is not Iberis/ because ther is an other herbe called of aunci ent writers/ namely/ of Paul and o thers Iberis/ and it is cleaue cotra ry in proportion and likenes vnto the herbe that Paulus setteth furth for Iberis: to who Iberis I answere/ y although it were not Iberis Diosco ridis. Yet it foloweth not/ but that it may be som other learned mas Ibe ris/ though it be nether Iberis Pau linoz Aetij. This herbe out of dout is Iberis of Democrates/ wher of Ga lene maketh manifest metio in the .x. boke De compositione medicamentorum secundum locos, and ther he bringeth it in Democrates describing after this maner. This herbe saith Demo

crates/ groweth muche euery wher/ beside graues and olde walles/ and about highe wayes whiche are not communly plowed. It is alwayes gre ne wyth a lese like gardin cresses/ and this leafe is lesse then cresses lese/ and it commeth furth in the spryng time. The stalkes are a cubite longe and som time longer/ and som time shoyter. The leaues grow on the stalke all sommer euen vnto the depe winter/ whiche wyth the frost wasterh the

D ij leaues

Of Sciatica cresse or wilde cresse.

leaves away/ and bringeth the hole herbe vnto the likenes of a twig or bushy rod. Petit groweth vnto y^e roote/ other buddes/ whiche make a new herbe againe in the next springe. It hath a smal white flowre/ the seede is so small that a man can scarce see it. The roote hath a very hote and sharpe smell muche like vnto garden cresses. Thus far hath Democrates described his Iberis. Now let vs see how that Dioscorides or some other in his name describeth his Iberis. Iberis/ otherwise called Cardamantica/ hath the leaves of cresses/ but in the springe greener. The stalke is a cubit highe and somtyme lesse/ it groweth in unplowed grounde. In sommer it hath a whyte floure/ at what time it hath most vertu/ it hath two rootes like vnto cresses/ heatinge and burninge. We may see how that in the description of Iberis both these autours do agree. Wherefore this herbe must not therefore be spoiled of the name of Iberis/ because other autours haue in their workes an other kinde of Iberis. This is the herbe as I suppose that suchsius describeth for *shlaspi minori*: & it is called in Duche *belsenkraut*. I haue sene the herbe in all pointes agreinge wyth the descriptions aboue shewed beside the walles of Bon in Germany and in east Friesland in the sea bankes. But I haue not sene it in Englande that I remember of. It may be called in Englishe waycresses/ wilde cresses/ or sciatica cresses/ because the herbe is good for the sciatica.

The vertues of wilde cresses.



After in some good plenty of this roote/ for then it hath most vertue/ and bete it harde/ for it requireth muche beatinge/ and mix it wyth swines gresse/ and bete them in a mortar well/ till they be both come into one body/ then if any man or woman haue any paine in the hauche or hucklebone/ binde this ointment vpon the place that aketh: if it be in a woman/ for the space of two houres: if it be in a man/ for the space of iiii. houres/ nether shall ye mixe or put any oile to it. But it alone prouoke the patient to sweete a litle/ and then let him go into a bath/ and bid him abide patiently there the bitinge of the ointment continue a while therein/ and when he is well bathed/ then let hym out/ and after that he be comed fourth/ let hym put a good deale of oile to a litle wine and annoynte the diseased place withall/ and afterwarde that the place is made cleane and the fat is scoured awaye/ couer the diseased place wyth warme woole/ and if any grudge of the same disease chance to rise againe/ let hym vse the fore saide medicin againe after the same maner: many haue bene brought in by other men into the bath/ beinge lame/ by the sciatica/ whiche after they haue vsed this ointment and bath/ haue commed out by the selues stronge and lustye.

The minde of Galene in this matter.



Democrates vsed y^e same medicin after the same maner against the olde and longe heade ache/ and against all olde diseases of the body/ and against palseis/ & against suche diseases as can not be healed wyth

How to cure
Sciatica.

Of Sciatica cresse or wilde cresse.

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wyth out blystringe mustarde plasters/ & he saith/ that he healed therwyth all that were sicke in that diseale/ whiche he toke in hāde. Archigenes saith also in his seconde boke of medicines after the kinde/ that Iberis whiche he calleth Lepidium/ is good for the y are sicke in the mult/ or greued wyth the sciatica. Hipparcus also wryteth/ that Iberis is good for y sciatica & for y extreme colde. After this maner gather y herbe Iberis/ whiche some call Lepideum or wilde cresse/ and stampe it wyth swynes gresse after y maner of an emplaster/ laye it to the akinge place for the space of iij. howres/ and then let the patient go into a bath afterwarde/ and this will h lpe him/ ye may vse the same remedy against the olde heade ache/ as Democrates the Physicane in his verses doth testify.

The vertues of Iberis out of Dioscorides.

Iberis are burninge hote/ & they are good against the sciatica/ wyth salted swynes grece/ laide to the place after the maner of an emplaster / for the space of iij. howres/ but the patient must afterwarde go into a bath / and after that he must anoynt the place and couer it wyth woll. This herbe is hote and drye in the seconde degre at the least.

Of Cycory and Endiue.

Intubus.

Intubum satium angustifolium.



*Cichorium
Intybus.*

D iij

O/ Cycos

Of Cycorie and Endiue.



Lentibus whiche is named in Greke seris/ is of two sortes/ the one is called Intubus hortensis/ and the other is called intubus sylvestris. Intubus hortensis is also of two sortes/ the one is called Endiue or white Endiue/ and the other is called garden succory. Intubus sylvestris is of two sortes/ the one is called in Latin Cichorium/ and in Englishe succory or hardewes/ and the other is called of Theophrastus Alphaca/ of Plinie Hedipnois/ in Englishe Dade lion or priestes crowne/ in Duche pfaffenblat. Seris/ is of two kindes/ the one is wilde as Dioscorides wyrteth/ and it is called picris and cichorium/ and the other kinde is of the garden/ and it hath broder leaues/ the wilde is better for the stomacke then the garden is/ the garden endiue is also of two kindes/ the one hath brode leaues lyke vnto lettis and the other hath narrower leaues/ which hath a bitter taste.

The vertues of Cycory and Endiue.



Both Endiue and Cycory coul & binde together/ and are very good for the stomacke. The herbe sodden and taken wyth vinegre/ stoppeth the belly. The wilde is better for the stomacke/ for if it be eatē/ it swageth the burninge stomacke that is feble. It is good to lay the herbes ether by them selfe or wyth polenta perched barley to the place conuenient for the disease called Cardiacapassio. They are good for the gout and the inflamationes of the eyes if they be laide to: The herbes laide to emplasterwise wyth the roote/ are good against the stinginge of a scorpion wyth perched barley/ the herbe is good against the cholerike inflamationes called of som saint Antonies fier. The iuice of these herbes wyth whyte leade & vinegre/ are good to be laide vnto suche places to haue nede of coolynge.

Of Elecampane.



Enula is called in Greke Helenion/ in Englishe Elecampane or Alecāpane/ in Duche Alantz wurtz/ in frenche and in y poticaries shoppis Enula campana. Elecāpane hath leaues like vnto mullen/ but muche narrower/ sharper and longer. In some places/ it putteth furth no stalke/ it hath a roote vnder/ som thinge whyte/ and som thinge redishe/ and it hath a good sauor/ it is som thinge bytinge/ well growen/ and of a great bignes out of the whiche come certaine buddinge knoppes/ whiche may be sown after the maner of lylpe or aron.

The vertues of Elecampane.



The broth of the rote dronken driueth furth brine and flowers. Elecampane taken in an Electuary wyth honny is good for the cough/ for shortnes of breth/ for places bursten and shronken together/ for windenes and for the bytinge of serpentes. The leaues/ if they be sodden in wine/ are good to be laide vnto the

Of Elecampane.

Enula. Campana



*Is not a
Helenium*

Sciatica. Elecampane seasoned and layde by in maluaſey is good for the ſto-
macke/the ſuccot makers and ſaucemakers/take the roote and dye it a lye
le fiſt/and then ſeth it/ and afterwarde ſtepe it in colde water/ and laye it
by in ſodden wine for diuerſe bleſ. The roote broken and dronken/ is very
good againſt the ſpittinge of blode.

Of the herbe called in Latin Irio.



Diuerſe learned men haue diuerſe opinionies of the
herbe that is called in Latin Irio/ and in Greke
Eryſimon. Fuchſius rekeneth ꝑ the herbe whiche
we call in Engliſhe Carloke or charloke / or wild
cole/ to be Ireo Dioſcorides. Ruellius iudgeth that
the herbe whiche we call in Engliſhe female ver-
uine/ is Irio/ & Gerardus Deluicke rekeneth that
ꝑ herbe ꝑ is called in Duſche winter cresses/ or whi-
che we may call in Engliſhe bank cresses / becauſe
they grow alwayes about the bankes of ryuers / to be the right Irio. But
let vs fiſt ſe the deſcription of Dioſcorides/ & then we ſhall be able to iudge
whoſe herbe agreeeth beſt vnto the deſcription of Dioſcorides.

Who is this?

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Of Irio.

The description of Irio.



Irio groweth beside cy-
ties and amongst olde
rubbishe and remnates
of olde walles and in
gardines/it hath leaues
lyke wilde rocket/the stalkes are af-
ter the maner of a bay tre/ bowinge
& towgh/it hath a yealow flowre: &
it hath small coddess/ in the toppe ho-
ned after the maner of fenegreke/it
hath a small sede lyke vnto gardin
cressles/ & it hath a burninge tast. The
herbe that Ruellius taketh for Irione.
Draweth nerest of all other vnto the
Description of Dioscorides/ sauinge
that the coddess are not horned very
lyke vnto the coddess of fenegreke.
It that Fuchsius setteth furth/ doth
metely well agre sauinge & the twig-
ges are not so tough and bowinge as
Dioscorides describeth his Iriones
stalkes to be. It & Gerardus taketh
for Irione/agreeth also well wyth the
Description/ sauinge that it groweth
not in places about cyties & in wast
places wher howses haue bene/ but
only of his owne nature about wa-
ter sides. All theyr iij. Iriones do so
well agre in vertues wyth Irion Dioscoridis/ that a man may vse any of
them for it of Dioscorides. I saw ones in Germany about Andernake an
herbe in my iudgement in all pointes/agreinge wyth the Description of Di-
oscorides:but because I lost the stalke that I gathered/ & coulde learne no
Duche name of it/ I coulde not set furth the figure of it here at this time.
The herbe that Matthiolus setteth furth for Irio/hath not hornes like fene-
greke/wherefoze nether can not it be the ryght Irio.

Irion.



Not modern Ir

The vertues of Irio.



Irio is good against the flowinges or issues/ that fall out of the
heade in to longes/and against that disease/ when as men coughe
out foule mater/it is good for the iauides and for the sciatica/ it is
Good to be taken in honye against poyson/ it is good to be layde to wyth
water or hony vnto blinde cankers/swellinges behinde the eares/ hardnes
of the papes/and the inflammation of the stones/ generally it maketh fine
and heateth.

Of

Iris.



Iris is knowen both of the Grecianes & Latines by that name / it is called in Duche blaw Lillaen / and blaw Gilgen / in Frenche du la glaien / and de la

flambe / in Englishe flour de lyce or flour de luce / the poticaries and barbarus wyters call it Iriss in the genetive case.

The description of Iriss.



Iris hath his name of likenes that it hath of rayn bow / for Iris is called raynbow. It hath leaues like vnto the her-

be called Gladiolus / that is to saye / the gladdon or swordlynge / but greater / broder / and fatter. floures of diuerse colozes stand in like spate one from an other / and come out of the stalke / for the floures are sene whyte / pale / yealow / purple / or blew / by the diuersite of the whiche colozes it re-

sembleth a raynbow. The rootes run in the grounde full of iointes / harde well smellinge / whyche are cut in litle shiues or cakes / and are dried in the shadow / and then are put vpon a threde / & so kept. The best flour de Lyce or Aris in Slaunonia or in Macedonia / & ther that is best / that is the lesse / that we may call the dwarf flour de luce / and comenly hath a thicke roote / hard to breake of a some thinge rede coloz / of a bitter tast / and of a ryght pleasant sauore / so that it smelleth nothinge of mouldnes / & the same whille it is in stampinge or beatinge / it maketh the beters neese. The next prayse is to be gotten to the Iris or flour de lyce of Barbaria / whiche is some thinge white & bitter in tast. The rootes when they are olde vse to be worne eate / and then vse they to smell best. The flour de lice that groweth here in Englande although it be not so good as it that groweth in Illyrico / & in Slaunonia / and Macedonia / and in Barbaria / because this oure countree is colder and moystier then the other countrees be / in the whiche the flour de luce is singularly good: yet Aris is not to be despiced for it hath many good and excellent qualites. I haue sene a litle flour delice growyng wylde in Dorset shyre / but hole cartes full in Germany besyde wormis in the middowes not far from the Rhene.]

What is this?

The vertues of Aris or flour de Lyce.

All kind

Of the Vualnut and the Vualnut tree.



All kyndes of floure delice haue the propertie to heate/ and to make subtil. Iris is good for the coughe. It maketh ripe grosse humors whiche are harde to be cast or auoyded outwarde/ vij. drammes of Aris powder dronke wyth mede/ purge color & gross fleme. It prouoketh slepe/ and bringeth out teares/ it is good for the quauinges in the belly. The same dronken wyth vinegre is good against the strikinge of serpentes/ for them that haue the diseale of the milt/ for the crampe/ for them that haue take a thorow colde/ for quivering or shakinge/ and for them that suffer the issue of sede. If Aris be dronken w wine/ it bringeth downe weomen their siknes. The broth of Ireos is good for to bathe a womans mother wyth/ to soften it/ and to louse the beye holes of the veynes of it. It is good to be poured into a clister for the sciatica. It filleth by fistulaes and holow corners with fleshe. The roote of flour delice dressed wyth hony/ and made after the maner of a suppositoary/ and put in the conuenient place/ helpe to downe furth the birth in tyme of labor. Also the rootes layde to soften harde wennes and harde lumps. The dry powder filleth sores/ and with hony it scowreth them. It filleth the naked bones wyth a fleshy body. It is very good to be layde vnto y heade/ for the head ache wyth vinegre and rose oyle. If it be layde to wyth white hellebor and ij. partes of hony/ it will scour out freckles/ spottes and suche other foulness in the face/ that come by son burninge. Matthiolus redeth *επικαυλα*/ where as my Greke Dioscorides hath *επικαυλω*. My text meaneth that the floures grow vpon the stalke: But hys word *επικαυλα*/ as he expoundeth it / will y the floures shall only grow in the ouermost parte of euery stalk: whiche interpretation/ semeth to me contrary vnto the mynde of Dioscorides and to our dayly experience/ and to hys owne figures whiche he setteth furth. Caulis that is to saye/ a stalk/ is that parte of the herbe/ wherby the nourishment is caried/ & ryleth by from the grounde alone. If thys be true/ then shoulde there be but one floure vpon euery stalk of the floure Delice/ or all shoulde stand together in the top/ and none shoulde by equall distance as Dioscorides meaneth stand one beneth an other. Matthiolus setteth out ij. figures of Iris/ the oyle is of the wilde/ & therein are vij. floures/ in the tame are iij. floures/ and in bothe the figures are but ij. caules or stalkes/ except he take pediculos/ called in Greke *μοσχους* to be all one with caule/ which is contrari to all learninge/ therefore the floures grow not all wayes in the top of euery stalk alone/ but som aboue in the topp/ & som beneth/ & com out of the stalk and stand super petiolog or pediculos suos/ that is vpon theyr stiles or foot stalkes. Therfore hys annotation is nothyng worth.

descrip how

Of the walnut and the Walnut tree.



W^{ith}out any farther addition is called a Walnut or a walnut tree. It is called also Juglans/ nux persica/ glans iouis/ nux bisilica/ & nux regia/ in Greke *Carya basilica*/ in Dutch *Cyn nusz baum*/ oder ein *Welschnusz*/ in frenche *ling noier*. The walnut and the walnut trees are so well known in all countries/ that I nede not to describe/ wherfore I entende to leaue the description and to go to the properties of it.

The

Of the Vualnut and the Vualnut tree.

Inglans.

The vertues of the Vualnut.

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Walnuttes are harde of digestion/ not good for the stomake/ and ingere die choler/ and they make y^e heade ache. They are euell for them that

haue the coughe. They are fit to be taken fastinge of them that woulde vomite. If they be taken afore hande wyth rue and figges/ and also after meat by & by/ they wythstande poison. They do no lesse/ if they be eaten after that a man hath dronke poison. If they be eatē in greate plenty they driue out brode wormes. It is good to lay them to/ wyth a litle hony and rue for the burninge heate or inflammation of the papes/ for impostemes/ and places out of ioynt. If they be layde to wyth an onion/ salt and hony/ they are good for the bytinges both of men and dogges. If they be burnt wyth theyr vtter huskes and laide vnto the nauell/ they stache the gnawinge of y^e belly. The shell burnt and broken in oyle and wine/ is good

to anoynt childers heades wythall to make the here grow/ the same is also good to fill by the bare places of scalled heades. The kernels burned/ if they be broken and laide to wyth wine/ they will stay the bloody ysswe that som tyme women haue. The same are good to laye to olde carbuncles and creynges sores/ tetters and impostemes that are in the corners of the eye. The same chowed and laide vpon the heade/ are a present remedy for the falling of the heare. A man may make oyle of the kernels of walnuttes/ if he will presse them/ specially when they are olde/ they that are grene/ are not so ill for the stomake as the olde nuttes be/ because they are sweter. If they be mixed with garleke/ they take away the sharpnes. And they do if they be layde to emplasterwise/ driue away the blew markes that come of stripes. The walnut tree both in his leaues and buddes hath a certayne bindinge/ but the bindinge is most euidently percepued in the vtter huskes/ both moyst and drye/ and therfore fullers doxe them. But I/ sayeth Galen/ presse out the iuice of the huskes as I do out of the Mulberies & bramleberes/ and set it wyth sodden hony/ and vse it in the steade of a mouth healinge medicine/ as I vse the forsaide iuice of mulberes and bramleberes. The kernell of the nut/ when it is wythered/ is of subtil partes and a dryinge medicine wythout any bytyng.

Out of Pliny:

The

Of Squynant.

The Gretians haue named the walnut of that/ that it bringeth the heade ache/ for the strengthe of the trees and the leaues perche into the brayne/ if the nattes be taken a fore hand/ they breake and quenche the myght of popson. They are good to be laide to the squynsie wyth rue & oyle. Cneius pompeius when he had ouercomed the myghty kinge Dithyrites/ he founde in his most secret treserhouse in a lytle boke by it selfe wyrtte wyth his owne hãde wyth this preseruatiue/ the cõposition wherof is this. Take two drye Walnattes/ and ij. figges and xx. leaues of rue/ breake them together and put a corne of salt tho them/ and if yow eate this medicine fastinge/ ther shall no popson hurt yow that daye: the kirkels of the nattes if they be chowed/ of a man fastinge/ is a present remedy if they be layde vnto the bytinges of a mad dogge. Som vse to make succat wyth hony or sugar of the yonge nattes/ whiche are palled of the tree about midsome. Tragus wyrteth that the water whiche is destilled out of the grene nattes gathered at mitsomer/ is good for the inflammation of the pappes/ impostumes/ and for places out of ioynt/ the oyle that is pressed out of the walnattes/ saith Tragus/ is good for the purposes aboue reherled.

Of Squynant.



Squynant odoratus siue rotundus/ is called in Greke σκινόρος αρωματικός/ in Englishe Squynant/ in Duche Kamelheue/ in the potecaris shoppis Squinantū. Squynant groweth in Alyphica and in Arabia/ the best cometh out of Nabathea/ the next in goodnes is it that cometh out of Arabie/ the worst cometh out of Africa: the best & the most wourthiest to be chosen/ is that whiche is redde/ fresse and full of floures/ but small/ and hath redde peces in it/ whiche beinge robbed in a mans handes/ will smell lyke a rose. It byteth the tonge also lyke fyr. We vse no part of it/ sauinge the flower/ the stalke and the rote. We haue not in Europa suche squynant as Dioscorides describeth. I neuer sawe squynant growinge/ sauinge only dyed.

The properties of Squynant.



Squynant hath the vertue to bringe downe floures to dryue fourth water/ it driueth winde away/ maketh y heade heavy/ and bindeth a lytle/ breaketh and cypeth/ and maketh louse the vessels that the winde maye comfort. His flour is good in drinke for them that voide blode/ for the paine of the stomake/ longes/ lyuer and kidnies. The rote is more altringent bindinge/ therfore it is good to be geuen in the quantite of a dram wyth so muche peper for a few dayes vnto them that haue the lothsumnes of y stomake to them that are sicke in the dropsie/ and to them that haue the crampe. The broth is good to sitte ouer agaynst the burnynge heate of the mother.

Of the Iuniper tree.

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Iuniperus.



Iuniperus is called in Greke Arkēthos/ in Englishe Juniper or Jenever/ in Dutch wachhold/ in Frenche du genefure.

The Description.

Dioscorides maketh ij. kindes of Juniper/ the greater kinde & the lesse/ whiche only differ in bignes. Juniper both the greater & the lesse is alwayes grene & hath in the stede of leaues prickes rather the right leaues/ and euery suche leafe or pricke is very like vnto y^e ende of the tonge/ of an hueholl or wodspike/ but it is grene/ the wod is redish/ whiche if it be put into the fyre/ maketh a very good sinell. The berries are first grene and afterwarde black. Some holde y^e berries are ij. yeare in ripinge vpon the tree. This tree groweth commonly in great wast & wilde mores & baron groundes/ but somtyme it groweth in metly good groundes/ In England it groweth most plentifully in Kent/ it groweth also in y^e

bysshopryche of Durram/ & in Northūberlande. It groweth in Germany in many places in greate plente/ but in no place in greater then a lytle from Bonn/ wher as/ at the tyme of yeare the feldefares sede only of Junipers berries/ the people eate the feldefares bndrawē wyth guttes and all/ because they are full of the berries of Juniper.

The vertues of Iuniper.

Ther are ij. kindes of Juniper/ the greater & the lesse/ they are bothe hote/ & stir mē to make water/ & if y^e they be sette a fyre/ they dryue awaye serpent's. The berries do measerably hete & binde/ & are good for the stomacke. They are good to be dronken against the dileales of the brest/ agaynst the cough/ agaynst winde/ gnawinges & bytinge of serpentes. They dryue fourth vrine/ they are good for places burst & shonken together & for the stranglinge of the mother. The leaues are bytinge & sharpe. Therfore both they & also the iuice of them are good to be dronkē wyth wine or to be laide to against the bytinge of a veper.

Of Labrusca.



Labrusca/ whiche is called in Greke Ampelos agria/ or Omphar/ is of ij. sortes/ the one kinde is so wilde y^e it hath only floures/ and goeth no ferther/ & this flouce is called Enanthe. The other hath floures & also lytle grapes. I haue sene of both y^e sortes plentifully in Italy in diuers places by the floude Padus/

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Of Labrusca.

and in highe Almany also. It may be called in Englishe a wilde vine. All thinges both leaues/flowres and grapes/ are lesse in this kinde then in the gardin binde/or els in figure and fallshon they are all one.

The nature of the wilde grape.

The leaues of the wilde grape/and the stalkes/and claspers haue the same vertue that the other hath. The flowres of the wilde grape/haue a stoppage or bindinge power/wherfore in drinke they are good for the stomacke/and to dryue fourth brine. They stoppe the belly & the castinge out of bloude/if they be dyed and laide to/ they are good for the lothsomnes of the stomacke and sournes of the same. They are good to be layde vpon the heade/ether grene or dyed wth vinegre & rose oyle. A plaster made of them/ healeth bloudy woundes/ the impostemes in the corners of y^e eye when they are in beginnyng/ the sores of y^e mouth/ & the frettinge sores of y^e priuities. If they be broken wth hony/ saffron & myrr & rose oyle/ they sane from inflammation. They are good to put in pessaries to stanche blode. They are good to be layde to wth wine & the mele of perched barley agaynst y^e watering of y^e eyes/ & y^e burninge of y^e stomake. The ashes of them/ burned in a vessell wth hote coles are good for medicines for the eyes/ and wth hony it healeth whit flawes/ aguayles & goomes bledinge/ & vered wth impostemes.

Of Lettes.

Σπιδας.

Laſuca.

Σπιδανίον μεφαλίνα.



Lactua



Lettuca is called in Greke Thridar/ in English the Lettes or Lettuce/ in Duche Lattich/ in frenche/ vng Lactue.

Lettis is of diuerse kindes/ one kinde is called Lactuca hortensis/ and in English gardin Lettis/ the other kinde is called lactuca sculustris/ whiche is called in English grene endiue/ & this is the herbe that the Israelites eat wyth ther passouer lambe. Ther are diuers sortes of gardin lettes/ for one is called Lactuca capitata/ that is cabbage lettes/ because it goeth all into one heade/ as cabbage cole doth/ an other kinde is the comon lettes/ som kindes of lettis haue white sede/ & other kindes haue black sede.

The description of Lettice.



The cominen gardin lettice hath brode leaues like vnto whyte endiue/ and the stalke ryseth streight vp/ about the top are diuerse branches/ whych haue yelow floures. The wilde lettes is like the

other after Dioscorides/ but the roote is shorter/ the stalke is longer/ the leaues are whyter/ smaller and sharper and bitter in taste/ and when as they perfit/ they are full of prickel.

The properties of Lettis.



The gardin lettes/ whych is of a coolinge nature/ is taken to be good for the stomacke: it bringeth slepe/ softenieth the belly & called fourth mylke: but when it is sodden/ it nourissheth more. But they that haue an euell stomacke/ were best to take it vnwasshed. The sede were good to be dronken of them that are combyed wyth vncleane dreames: & it is good agaynst the rage of venery. Muche vse of lettes/ hurteth the eyesight: it is good agaynst inflammationes and hote burnynges. It is layde vp of som/ and seasoned and sauced in bynie.



Of Haris foot.

Lagopus maye be called in English Haris foot/ or rough clauer/ the Duche call it Katze kle/ & frenche call it Pede de leure.

The description.

C ij Dios

Of Haris foot.

Lagopus.



crus. l. arvensis



Dioscorides sheweth no mark wherby Lagopus differeth from other herbes/sauryng that it groweth among the corne. whiche place is comē to many other herbes. Wherefore we can not gather by that one worde/ what herbe in our felde is Lagopus in Dioscorides. But because it hath the name of an Haris foote/ and no other herbe growyng in the corne/ is so like an Haris foot as thys herbe is that I set furth/ I thinke not w out a cause that Fuchsius (of whome I learned thys herbe as I haue learned certayn other) iudged it well to be Lagopus/ and chesely because it agreeth in vertue wyth it that Dioscorides speaketh of. The herbe which I take for Lagopus/ hath a round stalke/ and roughe leaues of the form and fallshon of a clauer/ or a threleued grasse. The sedē is very bindyng/ and it growethe in roughe & horpe knoppes/ or hedes/ whyche are not vnylike vnto an Haris foot. Amatus Lusitanus accusyng Otho Brüsselsius/ for makyng trinitariam to be

a kynde of hepatica/ Mattheum Syluaticum for iudgyng auenes to be Lagopus/ falleth in to as great an error as any of them both did/ whillis he maketh trinitariam montanum/ to be the ryght Lagopus. For the herbe called trinitaria of the herbaries in Italy/ and edel leberkraut or gulden kle in Duche/ is not the ryght Lagopus. Whych thyng may very easely be proued by Dioscorides whych sayth that Lagopus groweth in the corne/ when as trinitaria is neuer found in the corne/ but in hyghe mountaynes and in such wilde and vntilled places/ where as not corne at any tyme hath growen.

The vertues of Lagopus.



of the belly.

The herbe Lagopus dronken in wyne stoppeth the belly/ but if a man haue an ague/ he must drynk it for the same purpose in water. The same is good to be layd vnto the share/ when it is inflammed or brought into a great heat. Lagopus as Galene sayeth/ hath so drying a power/ that it can drye by well the flux

Of

Of the herbe called *Lamium* or dede Nettel.

Lamij tria genera.

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Lamium is called also
vrtica inters/ or mor-
tua vrtica alba/ and of
som Archangelica/ in
Englishe Ded nettel/
in Duch tod Nessel/ in
Frenche/ or ti morti.

The description of dede Nettel.



Lamium hath leaues like
vnto a Nettel/ but les-
se indented about/ and
whyter. The downy
thynges that are in it li-
ke pyckes/ byte not/ y stalk is four-
square/ the floures are whyte/ & haue
a ströge sauor/ and are very like vn-
to litle coules/ or hoodes that stand
ouer bare heades. The seede is blak &
groweth about the stalk/ certayn pla-
ces goyng betwene/ as we se in hore
hound.

The vertues of dede Nettel
out of Pliny.

That kynde of Nettel also/ which among other I named *Lamium*/
beyng mooste gentle of all other/ and haupng leaues that byte not/
wyth a corne of salt/ healeth such places as are byrled/ or beten/ or
burnt/ and wennes/ and swellnges/ goutes and woundes. It hath a why-
te thyng in the myddes of the leafe/ which is a good remedy agaynst saint
Antonies fyre or hote burnynges. The later writers holde that the dede
Nettel is good to stop blood/ if it be layde ether vnto y lowest partes of the
neck/ or to y shoulder blades: They saye also y it is a good remedy agaynst
foule sores and fistulaes or false woundes.

Of the herbe called *Lampfana*.



Lampfana / as Dioscorides writeth is a wylde worte
or eatable herbe/ and more largely doth not he descri-
be *Lampfanam*. But Pliny describeth hys *Lampsa-*
nam thus. Amongest y wylde koles is also *Lampsa-*
na a foot hyghe/ with roughe leaues like vnto napo
or a yelow rape: but y flour of *Lampfana* is whyter.
When I was in Bonony/ Lucas Ghinus the reder
of Dioscorides there/ shewed me the ryght *Lampsa-*
nam/ which afterwarde I haue seue in many places
of Germany in the corne felde/ much lower then carlok/ but in taste and in
E iij fashion

Of the herbe called *Lampsana*.



fashion of lese much like it. But it hath a whyte floure wyth a very litle purple in it/ in som places as I remembre/ yet mosse comely it is all clere white.

The vertues of Lampsana.

Dioscorides maketh no other mention of any vertue/ that *Lampsana* hath/ sayyng that he maketh it good for the pott/ & sayeth that it nourisheth more then the dock doth/ and is better for the stomacke. Galene sayeth that *Lampsana* eaten/ ingendreth euell iuice/ if it be layd to wyth out/ that it hath som pour to scour away/ and to digest or make cype.

Of the tre called Larix



Dioscorides describeth not the tree which is called of the Latines *Larix*/ and of the Duche ein *Larch* bau. But Pliny described it and maketh mention of it/ but not allwayes accordyng to the truthe as men of great experiance and of no lesse learnyng/ not beyng encumbred wyth such belines as Pliny was/ haue of late founde out. Pliny writeth that the leues of the larche tre/ neuer decay nor fall of/ whiche thyng both *Matthiolus* & *Bellonius* haue found by experiance to be

Larix.



to be untrue. For they wypte both that the larche tree leaues fal of in wynter. But herein I can beare no wyptues/ for although in summer I haue sene infinite larche trees/ yet I was neuer in wynter where they grew. But I trust them which haue sene them both in summer and wynter. And out of these mēs wyptynges I haue gathered thys description of Larix folowing.

The larche tree comenly is lower then the fyrrer tree/ but in som places it is foude as hyghe as y fyrrer tree is. The lowest parte of the boli or body of the larche tree/ next vnto y grounde/ hath a barke very harde/ and it is full of ryftes & gappnges/ whiche appeare lyke certayn depe furrowes. If ye hew it/ and cut it/ with an hatchet/ ye shall fynde it very rede/ and vntill ye come vnto the binghes it is roughe/ but after y ye come to the place where the bowes grow/ then it is smother & in color/ is out of an allyhy whytish. The binghes are lesse then any other kynde comenutberyng tre hath/ and they are tougher and mo-

re bowyng/ and theyr color is out of yelow redish/ and of a very pleasant savor. The leaues are blunt/ soft and bowyng/ two fingers long/ a litle brode/ & of y bygnes of fenel leaues. About thyrty grow together about one knop/ after the maner of a beame. In taste they are not so hyndyng as other leaues of trees of lyke kynde be. In smell they resemble y leaues of a pyne tre. The larche tre is very lyke vnto the cypres tre/ in the fruite or nutt. For the larch nut is as greate as y Cypres nut is/ and somthinge longer/ and hath a shorte stele or foot stalk/ wherby the fruite is ioynd vnto y tree. The nutt is compassed about wyth thin hulkes one growyng ouer an other/ after y maner of scales of a fishe/ and wythin are sedes of the bygnes of a Cypres kyrenell. Thys tree groweth largely in the mountaynes in the land of Cour/ and in the alpes that are betwene Itali and the countre called Rhetia/ where of one parte is in the diocese of Cour.

The nature and vertues of thys tree.



fynde great diuersite of opinionones and debat betwene the olde writers and the new/ concernyng the nature of this tree. For the newe writers hold that y wode of this tre/ wil burn as well as y wode of other trees. whych thing this day/ is perfittly knowe in many places by dayly experiēce. But y old writers hold y

Of the tree called Larix

the larche tree will take no flame/ and that it will no more burn thē a stone. Amongest many old wryters that hold opinion/ I will bring furth but two to beare witnes of y^e mater. The one is Palladius/ which writeth thus in hys boke of husbandry of the Larche tre. Larix sayeth he/ is very profitable to make bordes of/ & to lay them vnder the tyles/ in the vtter parte of y^e house. If thou do so/ thou hast made a sure defence against al burning: for those bordes will nether receyue any flame/ nether will they make any cole. The other olde writer is named Vitruuius/ who in hys second booke of bylding wryteth these wordes of the larche tree. The larche trees/ saith he/ are touching the leaues/ like vnto the pyne tree leaues. The tymbre is long & as tractable for any inwarde werck as Sapiu is. And it hath moyste or liquide rosin of the coloz of the hony of Athenes. And it is good for the that haue the tiffick in theyr lunges. The Larche tre whiche is not knowen/ but only vnto the proper inhabitantes/ that ether dwel about the banck of Padus flood/ and about the see shores of the Venetiane see/ not only is not hurted wth rottyng or muldzing/ or wyth wormes/ by the meanes of the great bitternes that it hath/ but also it will receyue no flame of the fire. Nether can it burn any otherwyle thē a stone doth in a lyme kyll. Yet by other wodd it burneth. And yet not euen then doth it receyue the flame/ nether gyueth any cole/ but in a long tyme it is slowly burnt. And thys is the cause/ y^e there is in it a small temperature of the principales of the ayer and fyre. For the wodd beyng thick and hard fastened together/ with an earthly moysture/ and not haupng boyd spaces for holes/ by the whyche the fyre may entr in: it putteth back the pour of the fyre/ and suffereth not it selfe to be hurt of the reason of y^e heuynes/ it is not holde by of y^e water/ but when it is born ether in shyppes/ or is set aboue the fyrr raft: How that this tymbre was founde/ there is a cause to know it. The renoumed and noble Cesar/ when he had an hoste about the alpes/ he comanded y^e inhabitantes there that were vnder hym/ to finde vitales. But there was a fast toun/ named Laringum/ and the me of the toun trustyng to theyr naturall defence/ would not obey the commandement of Cesar. Therfore the chiefe capitayne commaunded y^e garisones to besedge it. But there was before the gate of the towne/ a tour made of thys tymbre/ made of diuerse beames/ one goyng crosse ouer an other. And it was very hygh/ and in fasshon after the making of a broche or a steple/ that is great beneth and small aboue/ so that a man myght put back agyn them that came by/ both wyth stones and clubbes. But when it was perceyued that they had no other wepenes but stones & clubbes/ and y^e they could not cast far from the wall/ by the reason of the heuynes/ the commandment was geue/ y^e faggoters made of small brushe/ shuld be set a fyre/ and layd to the holde. The souldyers dyd that spedely. But as soun as the flame had taken holde of the faggottes/ besyde the tymbre/ and went by in to the ayre a loft/ it made all menn thynck that all the hole heap shuld fall by and by. But when the flame went out of it self/ and so was quēched/ and the tour appered vntouched/ Cesar woundering greatly/ commaunded y^e they should be compassed round about/ with out the castyng of dartes. But when the tostones men compelled by fere/ had geuen by and yelded them selues/ it was demanded of them from whence the wodge came/ which would not be hurt wth y^e fyre. And then they shewed thē those trees where
of was

of was great plenty in þ place. Thus far hath Vitruuius written of þ larche tre. We may se now þ ether þ olde writers haue erred sore in tellyng þ proper ties of þ larche tre/or elles þ new writers know not þ ryght larche tre. But I thynck þ lyghtly there is no tre better knowē vnto þ molste parte of þ new writers of plantes thys day/thē the tre called larix is. The hyghe duche call thys tre ein lorchbaū or ein lerchbaū. They þ dwell about Tridēt call þ rosin of it largā/ & there is a place as Bellonius þ frēchmā wrpeth þ is called at this tyme ballaric. Whiche thyng may be takē/ þ þ Larix tre is not gone out of knowledge nether in Itali/nor in Frāce/nor in Germany: wherefore it is rather to be thought þ þ olde wrpeters markyng not so diligētly as they ought to haue done one exāple/ haue fallē into a false beleue/ out of whiche as of a great tre many branches of errores haue sprōg out afterwarde. Besyde þ þ tymmer of þ larche tre which is very good beutius & profitable for bilydng: it gyueth also if. exceding holsom & profitable medicines/ where of þ one is þ comē turpētine/ & þ other is þ famus medicine called Agarick. Mat thiolus writeth/ þ where as he hath bene/ þ the mē þ gather þ moyst rosen of þ larch tre/ vse to bore a hole wyth a long perser euē vnto þ harte of the tre/ & vnder þ hole to set a vessel made of þ bark of þ pichetre/ to receyue þ rosin þ cometh furth there in. But in Rhetia where as I haue sene the maner of ga thering of þ comē turpētine/ is thys: They cut an hole depely doūwarde in þ larche tre/ w an hatched & a chisel/ so great þ will holde a great olial of þ ro sin. Whē þ hole is full/ they take it out w ladles & spownes/ & put it into ves selles. Antonius Trauersus a ryght Gētle mā of þ couētre of Rhetia/ whē as I lay in hys howse/ restyng me after my great labours þ I had taken in se king of herbes in þ alpes/ tolde me for a suertie/ þ carpēters of that couētre knowyng the holsomnes of the rosin/ when they chance vpon any plenty of it/ whille they cut the larche trees/ drinck largely there of/ and becom as drō ken therew/ if they had dronken a great deale of strong wyne. Dioscorides writeth that the rosine larche tre receyued in/ by lycking/ is good for the olde cough. Many vse it now/ wyth great profit agaynst þ stone and the disea ses of the kyndes in the stede of the ryght turpētine. Aletius writeth thus of all rosines. All kyndes of rosine/ hete/ dryue away/ softē/ draw furth and opē/ and heal woundes and bynd them together/ muche more then ware doth. And Galene in hys booke de simplicibus medicamentis writeth thus of ro sines. All rosines do heate & make drye. But they differ one frō other. The ro sine of þ lentiske tree called mastick/ deserueth worthely þ chese prayse amō gest thē all. Amōgest other rosynes/ it of þ turpētinetre is best. It hath an o pen or manifest byndyng/ but not so muche as mastick hath/ but it hath loy ned w it a certayn bitternes/ whereby it rypeth more thē mastick doth. & by þ meanes of þ same qualite. it cā scour so þ it cā heale sores & scabbes/ & it dra weth more thē other rosines/ becaule it is also of finer partes. And þ same Ga len in þ thyrd boke de medicamentis secū dū gñā writeth thys sentēce. Of these kindes of rosin is/ is þ which called larigna/ þ is rosin of þ larche tre which is moyst/ or more liqued/ but of þ substāce of þ moyst rosen of þ pichetre/ which þ grossers sell for turpētine thē þ know not þ one frō other. But þ rosyn both in smel & tast & working is sharper & quicker thē turpētine is. There fore the rosin of the larche tre hath a like vertue with thys and w the turpentine/ but it hath a greater poure in dryuing away & a more subtilē/ or syner substāce.

Of

Of Agarik.



Ellonius woundereth that any man dare holde þe Agarik doth grow in other trees then in the larche tre/ but hys meruelynge is again to be merueled at/ seynge þe good autores wryte/ þe it may be found also in other rosin bringing trees. But thys do I thynke/ that the best Agarick that is this day/ is found in the Larche tre. Agarik is soulede very dere bothe in Itali/ Fraunce/ Germany and Englad. wherfore they that would take þe paynes to sayle to Norway (whiche is nether vnto England/ the is ether Rome or Compostella) they myght brynge many thynges from thence more profitable for the realme of Englad/ then that which some brynge from the aboue named places. For belyde many diuerse kyndes of herbes and rootes which grow there in great plenty/ and may be gotten wyth a small coste/ the values of the symples well esteemed/ there may a man haue not only most excellent turpentine of the comest sort/ but also the moste precious Agarick. If no other men will take the paynes to brynge this commodite vnto theire contrey/ I will aduise the falconers that go to Norway/ that both for theire own profit and for theire countreys/ that they learne to know þe Larch tree/ that they myght brynge vnto England not only good comen turpentine/ but also costly and precious Agarick. If any man will take the payn to gather Agarick/ let him first learne wel by the forewriten descriptio to know the Larch tree/ and then marke it that I shall tech hym in these wordes immediatly folowynge. Agarike is the same/ in a larche tre that brueche as the Northern Englishmen call it / or as other call it/ a todstole/ is in a birche or a walnut tre/ where of some make tunder bothe in England and Germany for their gunnes. Agarick as it is very precious/ so is it not very comen nor good to finde/ for som tyme a man shall se in som places a thousand trees/ erhe fynde one that hath Agarick growynge vpon it. It groweth moste comunly in olde trees and in such/ as are growing in hygheste clifffes rockes and toppes of mountaynes of al other. It groweth neuer in þe boughes of the tree/ but vpon the bole or body of the tre/ som tyme higher and som tyme lower/ as other thynges lyke mushrummes/ todestooles or bruches do. The only tyme of gathering of Agarick is in the end of haruest/ when as it is dry and full ripe. It that is gathered in the summer and in the spring/ except it be of the last years growth/ is both vnholson for mans body/ and the same can not be gathered without the great leperdy of the gatherer/ for then it is full of water/ which when it cometh furth/ with a perillous vapor þe it hath/ it smiteth in to the heade and maketh hym very syke. And as the waterish vnrype Agaricke is vnholson/ so it that is passed two yeares olde/ is of no pryce nor value.

Of Agarick out of Dioscorides.



Here are two kyndes of Agarick/ the one is the male/ & the other is the female. The female whiche is þe better/ hath right or strenght orders/ or lynes/ of beynes/ goynge within it. The male is rounde and faster fastened together. Bothe þe kyndes haue a swete taste at the first tastynge/ but afterwarde/ it turneth into a bitter taste. The nature of Agarick is to bynde together

together & to heate. It is good for y^e gnawinges in y^e belly/ for rawnes & for
bursten places & for the y^e are brusen & hurt with falling. The vse is to geue a
scruple in honied wyne/ to them that haue no ague/ and with mede to them
that haue a feuer. It is also good for them that haue y^e bloody flux/ to the that
haue the quellsought or iauindesse/ to them that are shortwynded/ and to the
that are diseased in the lyuer and the kyndnes. We vse to gyue a dram whe
a mans water is stopped/ if the mother be strangled/ or if a man be ill colo-
red. It is taken with maluafei when a man hath cōsumption or tisyck and
with orymel or honied vinegre/ when a man is cumbred with the disease of
the milt. If the stomack be so flashe and louse that it can hold no meat/ then
is it beste to be taken alone/ without any moysture. After the same maner
is it gyuen to them that belche out a soure bryeth. If it be taken in the quan-
tite of two scruples & an half/ with water/ it stoppeth vomityng of bloode.
If it be taken with honied vinegre/ in lyke weyght/ it is good for the sciati-
ca and the payn in ioyntes and the falling siknes. It byrnyngeth also down to
women theyr syknes. In the same quantite it is good to be taken againste
the wyndenes of the mother. If it be taken before the shakynge of an ague/
before the fit come/ it taketh the shakynge away. The same taken in the qua-
tite of a dram or two with mede/ purgeth the belly. It is a good remedy a-
gainst popson taken about the quatite of a dram with a drinck well dilayd
with water. It is a speciall remedy against the styngynge of serpentis and
for y^e biting of y^e same if it be drōkē in y^e quatite of one scruple & an half with
wyne. Galene writeth also that if Algaricke be layd vnto with out/ that it is
good for the bytyng and styngynge of a serpēt. Mesue writeth that Algarick
is hote in y^e firste degre & dry in y^e seconde. It is gyue in pouder sayeth Me-
sue/ from one dram to two/ but in bryth from ij. drammes to siue.

Of the herbe called *Laserpitium*.



Haue nether spoken with any man/ nor rede in any wyter of
this our time/ that durst say that he had sene y^e ryght *Laser-*
pitium/ wherof *Theophrast* and *Dioscorides* make mention
of. But *Ruellius* iudgeth that the vertuous herbe called *An-*
gelica is *Laserpitium gallicum*. If there be any *Laserpitium*
ether in France or Germany/ I would rather take *Pillitoxi*
of Spayn called of the Duche meister wurtz/ to be *Laserpitium* then *ange-*
lica/ because it hath leues more like persely the *Angelica* hath. If any man
trauayl in to farre countres/ & woulde learne to know the ryght *Laserpiti-*
um/ let hym well marke these descriptiones which I shall now trāslate out
of *Dioscorides* and *Theophrast*/ & he shall the soner come by the true know-
ledge of it. *Laserpitium* groweth in Syria/ Armenia/ Media/ and Lybia/
with a stalck lyke a ferula or fenelgrant/ which stalck they call *Maspētum*.
It hath leaues lyke *Persely*/ and a brode sede. The iuice that cometh out of
y^e stalck & roote is called *Laser*. The stalcke is called *Silphio*/ y^e roote *Ma-*
gudaris/ & som call the leafe also *Maspētū*. *Theophrast* describeth *Laserpi-*
tium thus. The roote of *Laserpitium* is manifolde & thicke. It hath a stalck as y^e
ferula hath/ & a leafe whiche they call *Maspētū* lykes vnto *Persely*. The sede
is brode/ & is of y^e fallshō of a lese such as y^e which is called the lese. The stalck
peris

Of the tree called *Larix*

Laser seu Laserpitium.



wytinges.

perished every yeare as the stalck of ferula doth. The rote is covered wth a black skynne. I can fynd no more in these two aunciēt wryters cōcerning the descriptiō of *Laserpitii* but these few wordes wiche I haue now rehersted vnto yow. By these wordes of *Dioscorides* and *Theophrast* *Matthiolus* and al other that hold *Benjoin* is *h* sweete *Laser* of *Cyrene* are reproued and founde faulty in a great error. For *Dioscorides* & *Theophrast* make *Laserpitii* an herbe/ and such one as dieth euery yeare concerning the stalckes and top at the leste/ and *Laser* to be the dyed iuice of an herbe/ when as we know by the stickes & peres of wode *h* we finde oft in *Benjoin* or *Beljoin* / & by the experiēce of *Lodouicus Romanus* (whome also *Matthiolus* allegeth/ gyving therby other men wepens to feight against hym self *h* *Beljoin* or *Benjoin* is the rosin of a tree/ and not the iuice of any herbe. But as for *assa fetida* I wil not deny/ but *h* it is *Laser medicum* or *Syriacum* / as *Matthiolus* & other wryters haue taught in theyr

The properties of *Laser* and *Laserpitio*.



He roote heateth/ and in meates is hard of digestiō/ and noysum to the bladder. If it be layd one wyth oyle/ it is good for brused places and wyth a cerote or treat made of ware: it is good for hard lumpes and wennes/ with oyle of *Treos* it is good for the *sciatica* / or with the cerot of priued floures. If it be sodden in vinegre and laid to with a pomgranat pill/ it is good to take those thynges away that grow to muche about the fundamēt. If it be drōken/ it withstandeth popson/ it maketh the mouth smell well/ if it be minged with salt or with meat. The best *Laser* is rede thow shynnyng lyke vnto myrr/ not grene/ myghty in smell/ of a pleasant taste/ and when it is steped/ it wareth easely white. The iuice dyed and hardened it is beste. The leues deserue the second prayse/ and the thyrde the stalck. For it hath a sharpe poure/ it maketh wyndenes/ it healeth a scald heade/ if the place be anoynted with it/ and peper wyne and vinegre. It sharpeneth the eyesight/ and if it be layd to with hony/ it healeth the cataract of the ey/ or the haw in the eye when it is in the begynnyng. It is good to be put into the holes of the tethe/ for the tuthe ache / or to be bound about in a cloth with *Olibano* or *frackincense*. It is also good to washe the mouth with it and

and hyssop sodden with fygges in water and vinegre. It is good to be put into the wound of them/ that are bitten of any wod or mad beaste. It is myghtely good against the poyson of arrowes or dartes / and against all beastes/that cast out venem ether dronken or layd to with out. It is dabbed about the stynginges of scorpiones/ with oyle well manged/ or tempered. It is layde vnto deadely burninges/ if they be a litle holde and constreyned together before/ and with rue nitre and hony/ or by it self/ it is also layd to carbuncles. If ye cut a circle round about aguayles or any hard lumps/ and make this medicines soft with the broth of figges or munge it with a cerot/ it will pull them away. With vinegre it healeth the foul skurf of the skinne. It healeth also outwarpnges or to grownges in the fleshe and the swell- yng fleshe about the nose thrilles which is called polypus/ if that it be layd to a certayn dayes with coperus or verdgrese. It helpeth y old roughe scur- senes of the iawes. If it be take dilayd with water/ it healeth quickly y hoz- senes of the voice. If it be layde to with hony/ it healeth y Quula. It is good to be gargled agaynst y squinsey with mede. They that vse to eat of it loke much more freshly/ the they had won to do/ and with a better color. It may be gyuen with great profit agaynst the coughe/ in a soft eg/ and agaynst the pleuresi in suppinges/ and agaynst the iaundes and dropsey with dried figges. The same dronken with wine peper and olibane or ryght frankin- cense dryueth away the trymlyng and shaking of agues. It is gyuen in half a scrupleweyght to them whose heade stādeth backwarde. If any hoz- seches or loughleches cleue to a mans weland/ thys/ if it be dronken/ will driue them down/ if a man will make a gargle with it/ and with vinegre. It is good to be dronke for milck that is clodded and run together in lumps. It is good for the fallng sicknes/ dronken with oxymel or honied vinegre. If it be dronken with peper & myr/ it byngeth downe floures. If it be take with the kynnelles of grapes/ it stoppeth the belly. If it be gyue with lieghe/ it is good for places that are sodenly shronken together and bursten. It is resoluēd or melted with bitter al mondes/ or with rue/ or hoot brede for to make dringes of it. The iuice of the leues will do the same/ but not so effec- tually. It is good to be chowed with orimell or with hony and vinegre to help the throte/ when as the voice is horse or dulle. It is sayde that there is an other Magudaris in Lybia/ and that the root is lyke Lāserpi- tio/ but that it is not so thyeck/ sharp and spongyous/ out of whiche no iuice floweth furth. It hath like vertu with Lāserpitio. If a man will compare these vertues with them that the later wryters gyue to maisterwurt or pil- litori of Spayn/ he shal fynde y there is as great agrement betwene theyr properties/ as is betwene theyr fozmes & descriptiones. But of thys mater I intende God willyng to speake moze largely an other time.

Of the herbe called Lathyrus.



Lathyrus putteth furth a stalck of the length of a cubit/ and a fingre thyeck/ and holow within. There grow in the top thyr- ges lyke wynges/ and there grow out of the stalcke/ longe leaues lyke almondes leaues/ but broder and smother. They that are in the hyghest toppes/ are found lesse/ in the lickenes of Arestolochia or of a long Iuy lese. It byngeth furth fruit

Of the herbe called Lathyrus.

Lathyrus.



fruite in the top in the hyghest branches/ whych is notable by the reason of iij. cases or vesselles that the fede is in. The fruite is round as capers/ where in are cōteyned rounde cornes diuided one from an other/ by filmes & rynne betwene. The sedes are bigger thē greate bitter tares called erua/ & rōude. And whē & bark is takē from thē/ they are whyte and swete in taste. All the hole bushe is full of milck/ as the herbe called Tithymalus is. Thys description agreeth well with the herbe whiche is called in Englishe spurge/ in Duch springkraut/ in Frenche espurge/ of the apothecaries catapucia minor/ not bycause it is little/ but because it is lesse then ricinus/ whiche is called catapucia maior. But the figure whiche that Matthiolus setteth for Lathyrus/ agreeth not with this description. For the leaues are not very lyke almonde leues/ nether broder then they be: But perauenture hys karuer hath begyled hymas karuers and paynters haue begyled othet men before this tyme.

The vertues of spurge out of Dioscorides.



Three or seven granes of spurge taken in pilles with figges or dates/ purge the belly. But he that hath taken them/ must afterwarde drynck cold water. They draw down choler/ flemme/ & water. The iuice taken out/ as the iuice of Tithymal: is taken furth/ and dressed/ hath the same workyng. The leues are sodden with a cock for the same purpose.

Out of Actuarius.



Purge purgeth thynne flemme vehemently. Fiftene of the greater cornes/ are geuen at ones/ and xx. of the lesse cornes. They that wolde be effectually purged/ let them chow them. Let thē that desyre not to be so gretely purged/ swalow them hole ouer specially/ if he that taketh them haue a weake stomacke. Actius hath & same wordes and sentence of Lathyrus that Actuarius hath. wherefore

refoze it appereth that Actuarius a later wyter then Aetius/took it that he wrote out of Aetius.

of the herbe called Lauer or Sion.



Non otherwise called lauer/ is found in waters/ with a fat bushe ryght by with brode leues/ lyke vnto the herbe called Hippofelino / but lesse & well smellng. The herbe called in som place of Englad belragges/ agreeth in al poyntes with this description. But so doth not the herbe called in Englishe brooklyme/ & in Duche bauch pung/ for when as Sion is described to be a ryght by growyng herbe with leues lyke hippofelino: broock lyne crepeth moste comely by the grounde and hath a lese nothyng lyke vnto hippofelino. Wherfoze Amatus gyueth an buryght duche name vnto Sio/ when he calleth it bauchbunge or pugen/ as the Duche me also did before hym of whome he learned to call Sion bauchbunge. I meruell that Matthiolus maketh Syon with sedes in litle coddres/ when all the Syon that euer I could ether se/ in England/ Germany/ or Itali/ had euer sede in y top after the maner of Persely/ with out any coddres. Wherfoze I reken that his Syon is not the ryght Sion. Syo is not only so lyke a kynde of Selinon/ called hippofelinon or olus atrum in the leues as Dioscorides writeth/ but also so lyke Selinio or Apio in the stalck and top/ & sede/ that som haue taken it for Eliofelino/ and haue named it waterpersely. Whiche name were good to be receyued in England that the herbe myght y better ther by be knowe/ the bi y name of belragges.

The vertues of water Persely.



The leues of Syon ether raw or sodden/ if they be taken in/ they breake the stone and dryue it furth. They moue men to make water. They are good to help women to theyr syknes. They are also good for to help the byrth to come furth. If they be taken in mete/ they are also good for the bloode by sir.

The Laurel or Baytre.



Laurus is named in Greke δαφνη, in Englishe a Bay tre or a Laurel tre/ in Duche ein lozben baum/ in frenche vng laurier. The leaues of the Bay tre are alwayes grene/ and in figure and fashon they are lyke vnto scala celi/ and to periwinkle. They are long and brodest in the middest of the lefe. They are blackishe grene/ namely when they are olde. They are curled about the edges/ they smell well. And when they are casten vnto the fyre/ they crake wonderfully. The tre in England is no great tre/ but it thyrueth there many partes better and is lustier then in Germany. The berries are almoste round/ but not altogether. The kinnell is couered with a thicke black barke/ which may well be parted from the kinnell.

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The Laurel or Bay tre.

The vertues of the bay tre, and it that groweth out of it.



The bay leaues haue the vertue and strengthe to hete / and to soften / wherefore the broth of them is good to sit in / for the diseases of the mother and of the blader. The grene leues of the bay tre binde som thyng. And if they be layd to when they are broken / they hele the styngyng of bees / and waspes. The same layd to with perched barley and brede / swage al inflammationes or hootte burnynges / but if they be dronken / they make all that is in the stomack go furth / and moue a man to vomit. Bay berries hete more then the leues: therefore if they be brused and put into an electuary mayd with hony / and sodden with Maluasei / they are good for a consumption / and for them that are shot wynded / and for all reumes that fall into the louniges and breste. They are good to be dronken in wyne / agaynst the bytyng of scorpiones. They weish out frekles. The iuice of the berries with old wyne and rose oyle / is good to be poured into the eares agaynst the ache of them / and the hardnes of hearyng. When vse to put them into medicines which refreshe them that are weery / or tyrede / and vnto oynmentes that scatter or driue abrode. The barke of the roote / breaketh the stone / and it is perillous for weomen with chylde. It helpeth them that are sycke in the leuer in the quantite of a scruple and an halfe if it be dronken in wine. Besyde these vertues that Dioscorides gyueth vnto bay berries. Auicenna writeth that the oyle of bay is good for the heade ache / for the Morphei / for the styngyng in the eare. The oyle also maketh men vomit. It is good for the shakynge of an ague: the bay berry is also a remedy agaynst all poyson. Dioscorides writeth of the oyl of bay or Lauriell oyl thus. The bay oyl is better that is fresher / and hath a greater color / and that is mosste bitter and sharp. The pour of it is to heale and to soften. It openeth the breth holes of the veynes. It driueth away werynes. There is no better remedy agaynst al the diseases of the synewes / coldes / fallinge down of humores / the ach in the eares / the diseases of the kyndnes or neres / that come of coolde / then this oyle is if it be layde to. But if it be dronken it stirreth a man to vomit. Mesue writeth of bay oyle thus. The oyle of Barberries is good for the ache of the lyuer / and for the migrain or ach of the one syde of the brayn / when as they come of cold cause. It is also good agaynst the payn of the great gut / of the mother and of the milt. The later writers holde that it is good agaynst scalles and skurfe / and woymes / scabbes / scalles / an wheles / and ploukes.

Of Lentilles.



Ens is called in Greke Phacos / in Englishe a Lentil or Lentilles / in Dutch / Linsen / in frenche Lentille. Lentil is a bushy and thick pulse with leues lyke vnto a fitch or a tare / but lesse. The floures are purple in white. It hath litle coddess som thyng

Gales. Lens.



thyng flatt/ wherein are cōteyned in every one/ about iij. or iiij. granes in figure flat/ lyke an half pēny/ but som thyng ryllyng in bignes toward the middes/ as a litle cake or bannock is/ which is hastily baked vpo y harth/ the sede is redish. They are far deceyued/ which haue vled y gre at gar din or Spanishe lentilles/ wherof some are whyte/ for y whyte Drobo/ for they wāt bothe figure & also y vertues of Drobus. Lentilles grow in great plēty in Cambridge shyre/ & all thow Germany where as they are husked and vled for a meat.

The vertues of Lentilles.



He oftē vse of Lentilles in meate/ maketh dull the eyesight. They are harde of digestion/ and bere the stomack & fill it with winde. If they be sodden with theyr shelles vntaken of/ they stoppe the belly. They are best to be eaten/ y are mooste easely digested/ and when they are steped make the water nothyng black. They haue a property to bynde together/ by reason wherof

they stop the belly/ if the shelles be taken away before/ and they be thowoly sodde/ & the first water be castē away (for the former brothe louseth the belly. They make a man dreame troublesom dreames. They are euil for y heade/ for the synewes and the longes. They will worke better in the stopping of the belly/ if ye put vnto them vinegre/ Endiue or porcellayn/ or rede betes or myrtilles/ or the shell of pomgranates/ or dried roses/ or medlers/ or seruices/ or byndyng peres or quinces/ or succory/ or plantayn/ and hole galles/ or y berries of Sumach. And all these thynges must be casten away after the sedyng. But the vinegre must be very soze sodden therewith/ or elles it will trouble the belly. Thyrtye granes of Lentilles shelled/ are good against the ouer castyng of the stomack. If they be sodden with perched barley mele & be layde to/ they swage y ache of y gout/ & glieth together corners & hollow places of woundes layde to with hony. They burst vp crustes & scour sores. If they be sodden with vinegre/ they driue away wēnes and hard swellyn ges. With a quince of Melilote/ they helpe the inflammationes of the eyes and fundament/ so that rose oyle be put thereto. With few water they are good for woheles/ and for rynnyn and fretting sores/ and for the wyldefire and for the kybes. They are also good for the pappes or brestes that haue clodded or clustered milck in them/ and for to much plenty that rynneth out/ if they be sodden in water of the see/ and layd to. Auicenna writeth that

Of duckes meate.

Lentilles make grosse bloode and thick/and that muche vsing and eatyng of them bryngeth the lepre.

Out of Galene.



A man maketh brede of Lentilles/for they are drye and brittle/and haue a byndyng huske or skinne/the whiche is as it were theyr fleshe. And it hath a grosse & erthy iuice/ and a small tarte qualite. But the iuice that is within the Lentilles/ is contrary vnto bynding. Wherefore if any man set the in water and season the water with salt fishe byne/or oyle/and take that water/the same will make a man louse in the belly. Wyse soddē lentilles stoppe the belly/and strenghten the guttes/ and all the hole belly. Wherefore they are good both for the comen and the bloody flux. But the shaled or husked Lentilles as they haue losse theyr streynight in byndyng and suche thinges as folow there vpon/ so do they nourishe more then they that haue theyr huskes vpon them. But they make a grosse and euell iuice/ and they go thorow slowly.

Of duckes meate.



Duckes meat.

Ens palustris is called in greke phakos epistimon telmaton/ in Englishe duckes meate/ in Duche mer linsen. Lens palustris/ as Dioscorides sayeth/ is found in waters that rynne not/ but stand still/and that it is a certayn mosse like vnto a Lentill. Thys weede is well knowen in England/ and specially of them that haue poudes/ for in the later end of sommer/if men take not great paine / all the poudes will be couered ouer with

The vertues of duckes meat.



Duckis meate hath a coolyng nature / wherefore it is good to be layd to empostemes and gatheringes of humores that ryn to one place/ to the wyld fyre or greate burninges/to the gouty both membez alone and also with the mele of perched barley. It gleweth or bindeth or maketh fast the bowelles of yong childer. Galene writeth that duckis meat is of a coude and a moyste temperature/ and in a maner is both could and moyst in the second degre.

Lentiscus.



The Lentisk tre is not described of Dioscorides/ nor of Theophrast that I haue sene as yet nether of Pliny. Therefore I will describe it as well as I can/ accordyng to the syght that I had of it where as I saw it growyng in Bonony. The tre that I saw/ there was but a low tre/ & the leaues of it stand in such ordre as the ash tre leues do/ that is euery one/ all molte ryght ouer in order agaynst an other/ sayyng that one standeth a litle beneth it/ that standeth on the other syde. With theyr maner of standyng euery payr representeth a cople of byrdes wynges stretched furth redy to flie/ and the ely then/ when as they are pressed furth vpon a booke. The proportion and color of the lefe is not vnlke vnto the lefe of periwinkle/ sayyng that it is muche lesse. Pliny in the xliij. booke of hys naturall History/ and in the xrb. chapter/ alledgeth these iij. verses of Cicero/ where by a man may know som properties of the Lentisk tre.

*nam uero semper uiridis semperq; grauata,
Lentiscus triplici solita est grandescere foetu,
Ter fruges fundens, tria tempora monstrat arandi.*

The meanyng of these verses is thys. The lentisk tre which is allwayes grene/ and burdened/ and hath vled to were greates with a threfold fruite/ while it byngeth furth fruite thysle/ it teacheth or sheweth thre tymes of plowynge. Matthiolus the Italiane describeth the lentisk tre thus. The lentisk tre is thyeck both in bowes & in leaues/ and y twygges y are in the top/ bow downwarde agayn towarde the erth. The leaues are lyke vnto the leaues of the fistik tre / of a greuous smell/ fat and brucle and blacke/ the grene. But about the edges they are rede as it were wyth litle beynes. It is allwayes grene. The bark is somthyng redisse/ bowyng and toughe. It byngeth furth after the maner of the turpentine tre/ besyde the berries/ litle coddes wythen in ward after the fasshon of an horne/ where in is inclosed a clere moysture/ which in continuance of tyme is turned into litle beastes/ lyke vnto them that come out of the coddes of the elm and turpentine tre. All the hole tre hath an ill sauor.

The vertues of the Lentisk tre.

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Of the herbe called Lepidium or Dittani.

The hole Lentiske tre hath a byndyng poure/ for the leaues/ the bou-
ghes/ the fede/ the bark and the rootes are all like in propertie. The
sodden iuice of it may be made thus. The leaues/ the barke/ and the
roote are sodden in water/ when they are sufficiently sodden/ and couled
afterwardes/ the leaues are casten away/ the water is sodden agayn vntill
it be as thyeck as honye. The mastik tre wyth hys bindyng property is good
agaynst castyng out of blode/ agaynst the come lare/ and agaynst the bloody
flir/ if it be dronke. It is good for y rynnynge out of blood from the mother
and for the fallynge down of the mother/ and of the fundament. In all thyn-
ges it may be take in the stede of Acacia or Hypocistis. The iuice of the bro-
ken leaues doth the same. The broth by layng it to in bathyng/ filleth bp hol-
low places/ and fasteneth together agayn broken bones. It stoppeth fre-
tyng sores/ it dryueth furth water. It fasteneth y louse tethe/ if they be was-
shed wyth it. The grene twiggys are good to pik teth wyth all in the stede
of stiches and strawes and other tooth pickes. There is an oyle made of the
fede/ whiche is good to be bled whe any thynge had nede of stoppyng or bin-
dyng. The mastick tre bringeth furth a rosin which is called Lentiscina or
masticke/ of the come lare sort Mastix/ or mastik. Mastik is good to be dronke
of them that spit blood/ & for an old host or coughe. It helpeth the stomack/
but it maketh a man belche. If it be eaten/ it maketh a mans brythe sauor
well/ it byndeth well together the gowmes that are to louse. The best and
the greatest plenty of it groweth in Chio or Sio as it is now called. The
beste is it that is clere/ and shyneth/ and is whyte as virgin wax is/ bytle/
well smellyng/ and crackyng/ the grene is not so good. Som ble to conter-
fit mastick wyth frankincense & wyth the mirtur of the rosin of a pinaple.
Galene writeth thus of mastick. That whiche is whyte and comenly called
Chio or of Sio/ is made almost of ij. contrary qualites/ that is to wet/ of a
byndyng and a softenyng property. And there for it is good for the inflam-
mationes of the stomack/ guttes/ and liuer/ as a thynge that is hote and drye
in the second degre.

Of the herbe called Lepidium or Dittani.



Lepidii is called in Englishe Dittani/ but foulisly &
vnlarnedly/ in Duche Pfefferkraut that is peper-
wurt/ because it is so excedyng hote/ whiche name
were moze fitter in Englishe for thys herbe then the
name of Dittani/ that the name of Dittany myght
abyde proper vnto y ryght Dittano/ whiche begyn-
neth now to be set and lowen in England. Dioscori-
des leuyng out the description of Lepidium/ sayeth
these wordes/ gnozinion batinion esti/ y is to say/ it is
a well knowen herbelynge/ whiche worde herbelyng semeth to priuely
warne vs that the herbe that Dioscorides meaneth of here/ is rather y Hi-
beris Democratis/ the y Lepidium y Pliny describeth. For Lepidii y Pliny
describeth is no herblyng/ but a long & a great herbe. Pliny describeth
his Lepidium thus. Exit in bicubitalem altitudinem, folijs laurinis, sed mollibus.
Vfus eius est, non sine lacte. Lepidium goeth bp into the length of ij. cubites/
& hath leaues lyke bay leues but softer. It must not be bled without milk.

Thys

Of Rosmari.

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Lepidium magnum.



Thys description agreeth very well vnto our Dittany. Paulus Egineta calleth þ herbe Iberis/ whiche Pliny calleth Lepidium as hys wordes here folowynge will bere witnes. In totum hos (sayeth he) sanitati restituit, Iberidis herbæ vsus, quam lepidium, alij agrio Cardamum appellât. Quæ verò apud nos fruticosa nascitur, similibus lauri folijs & multo amplioribus, respondere, multa experimenta testantur. That is/ the vse of the herbe is Iberis restoreth these men perfectly to theyr helth agayn/ thys herbe is called of som Lepidum/ of other agrio cardamum. But many experimenteres or profes bere witnes that the bushy one that groweth wth vs/ with leues lyke bay leues but greater/ answereth not only in the sciatica/ but also in other old diseases. [Thys Lepidium that Pliny & Paul describe/ groweth plentifully about the water syde that rynneth thorow Worpeth in Northumberland/ in suche places as great heapes of stones are casten together wyth the myght of a great spat or floode.]

The vertues of Lepidium.

Nede not to wyte any more of the vertues of Lepidium/ that I haue done before/ seying þ Pliny and Paul gyue the same vertues to Lepidium that Democrates/ Galene and Archigenes gyue vnto Iberis. Therefore they that will know more of the vertues of Lepidium/ let them rede þ chapter of Iberis. The Germanes in som places take the iuice of thys herbe and minge it with vinegre & salt/ and make a sauce there of for roasted fleshe as in Friesland/ som make a sauce of redde for sodden meat.

Of Rosmary.



Rbanotis Stephanus matike/ called in Latine Rosmarinus/ is named in English Rosemary. Rosemary (as Dioscorides sayeth) putteth furth smal braunches/ and about them smal leues/ thyeck/ long/ whyte in vnder/ and grene aboue/ with a strong sauor.

The vertues of Rosmary.

Rosmar

Of the herbe called Ligusticum.



Rosmary hath an hetyng nature / Rosmary healeth þ jaundes / if þ broth oz water that it is sodde in / be dronken before a man exercyse hym self / and after that he hath exercised hym self / entre into a bath / and drynke vnwatered wyne after. Men vse to put Rosmari in medicines þ dryue werisunnies away / and into the oyntment called Gleucinum. The Arabians as Serapion witnesseth / gyue these properties vnto Rosmari. Rosmari is hote & drye in the thyrde degre / it is good for the colde reum that falleth from þ brayn / it heateth and maketh fyne oz subtil. It dryueth wynde away / & stirzeth a man to make water / and byngeth downe weomens floures / it openeth the stoppynges of þ liuer of the milt and the bowelles. Tragus the German wyteth that Rosemary is a spice in the kitchines of Germany / and not without a cause. The wyne (sayeth he) of Rosmari / taken of a woman / if she will fast iij. oz iiij. houres after / is good for the payn in the mother / and agaynst the white floures if they come of any inwarde imposteme. It openeth the lung pipes / and it is good for them that are shortwynded. It helpeth digestion / and withstandeth popson. It stancheth the gnawynge of the belly / it scoureth the blode / and if a man will go into a warm bed after that he hath dronken of it / it will make a man swete. If that Rosemary leues be sodde in wyne / they will do þ same. The conserue made of the floures of Rosmari / is good for them that swoon / & are week harted. The water of Rosemary as the same Tragus wyrteth / is good for them þ for horsenes haue losse theyr speche. Rosemary is also good o withstand trynblng of the membyes / & þ dufines of þ heade.

Rosmarinus.



Of the berbe called Ligusticum.



Ligusticum which some call Panaceam / and other Panaces / groweth muche in Liguria in the mount Appennine / iete vnto the alpes / where vpon it hath the name. The inhabitantes there about call it not without a cause Panaces / because both in the roote and stalck / it is lyke Panaci heracleotico / & hath the same vertues that it hath. It groweth in hygh and sharp oz rough mountaynes / & in shaddowy places / and specially about ryuers / oz as other textes haue / about

about diches. It hath a small stalk full of ioyntes/ lyke vnto dill/ and leues in the goyng about lyke vnto Melilote/ but softer/ well smellyng/ smaller about the top/ and much diuided. In the top there is a bushy or a spoky top/ where in hageth black seide sound and somthyng long lyke vnto fenel/ sharpe in taste/ in smellyng lyke spyce. The roote is white/ and well smellyng lyke vnto the roote of Danacis heracleotici. Thys herbe dyd I neuer se in England/ nether in Germany/ but it that I saw in Italy/ was not lyke it/ that Matthiolus setteth furth. For it that I sawe/ had leues thryse as byg as it y Matthiolus sheweth. There grew in it that I saw/ all mozte in euery place thre leues together/ which were lyke vnto a kynd of lotus/ or a chaet/ or a trifoly. As far as I can mark as yet/ the herbe that I saw/ agreeth better wyth the description/ then it that Matthiolus hath caused to be paynted/ but let other that haue sene y ryght Melilote (where of I meruel that Matthiolus hath not set out the figure as he doth of other herbes/ which he granteth that he knoweth/ be iudges which of our two herbes is lyker vnto Melilote/ and let that be the ryghter herbe that hath the lyker leaues vnto Melilote.

The vertues of Ligusticum.



The nature of the seide is to hete and to make rype. It is good for inward aches and swellynge/ and for inflammationes/ specially of suche as haue theyr stomack swellng by/ It remedies styngyng of serpentis. In drynk it draweth down weomens sicknes/ & stirreth a man to make water. The root layd to/ hath the same effect. It is very good for the mouth/ wherefor the inhabiters there/ where it groweth/ vse it in the seide of peper/ & put it in meates.

Of Lyuerwort.



Lichen which comenly groweth vpon stones/ is also called byon/ it cleueth vnto watery stones/ or such as at the lesse are somtyme sprynkled wyth water as a mosse. The colour is for the mozte parte grene/ but somtyme yeloweshe grene/ namely if the place be dyed where it groweth. To thys description agreeth well the herbe which is called in Englishe Liuerwurte/ in Duch Stein leberkraut or Brunleberkraut/ in frenche Hepatique/ of the apothecaries hepatica. If any man can not know thys Liuerwort by thys shorte description/ let hym know it also by these markes. It cymmeth lyke a grene lese not only vpon stones/ but also vpon a moyst ground/ wyth certayn bellishe swellynge/ aperyng aboue the rest of the lese. There groweth out of it a certayn litle twig/ lyke as it were a stalke/ in y top where of are litle thynge like sterres. At the first syght the hole herbe loketh lyke vnto a lese of the crympled lettuce.

The vertues of Liuerwort.

Lichen

Of the litle tre called *Lignustrum* or *Cypros*.

Lichen

Marchantia



If *Liverwort* be laid to/it stoppeth blood/it stoppeth or holdeth back inflammationes or burnynge where wyth the places begyn to swell. It is a good remedy agaynst the foul skurfe of the skin/If it be layd to wyth hony it heleth ϕ jaundes/ and it stoppeth ϕ flowynge of humores that bere the tong & the mouthe. *Tragus* writeth that *liuerwort* sodden in wine is good for the diseases of the liuer and longes/and that the powder of it taken wyth suggar/ is good for the same/and it is muche better then the comē people thynketh/ agaynst great hetes and burnynges.

Of the litle tre called *Lignustrum* or *Cypros*.



Cypros (as *Dioscorides* sayeth) is a tre wyth leues/ about the bowes/ lyke vnto the leaues of an olive tre/ but broder/ softer/ and greener. It hath white floures/ mossy/ or as som bookes haue growyng thych together lyke clusters. The fruite is black/ lyke older berries. The leaues haue a certayn byndyng in the. Thys description as I thynk and iudge wyth many other agreeth in all poyntes wyth the herbe/ which is called in Latine *Lignustrum*/ in Englishe *pyrit* *pyrit*

Ligustrum.



pynt or pyuet / in Duche Beinholtz
lin/in frenche troefne. But *Massari-
us Venetus* in hys boke that he wri-
teth of fishes/denieth styly/ that *Cy-
pros* is *Ligustrum*. But hys reasones
that he byngeth to proue hys purpo-
se wyth al: are not so stronge/ but that
they may be confuted. Hys first argu-
ment is thys. Both *Dioscorides* and
Pliny make *Cyprium* a strange tree/
and assigne to it far and strage coun-
tres to grow in/ as in Canope/ in *Alca-
lone*/ and in *Egypt*. But *Ligustrum*
groweth euery where/ therefore *Li-
gustrum* is not *Cypros*. First *Massa-
rius* sayeth not truely in sayng that
Dioscorides and *Pliny* make *Cypros*
a strange tre/ if he meane by sayng so
that they meant/ that it grew not in
theyr countrees. For although *Dios-
corides* sayeth that the best *Cypros*
groweth in Canope/ and in *Alcala-
ne*: yet it foloweth not/ that *Diosco-
rides* denyeth that there is any *Cy-
pros* growng in *Grecia* or in *Ita-
ly*. The same *Dioscorides* wyrteth
that the best *Iris* groweth in *Illyri-
co* and in *Macedonia*: doth it folow
therefore that he sayeth that *Iris* gro-

weth nowhere els but in *Illyrico* and in *Macedonia*. Thys first argu-
ment therefore as ye se/ is of no effect. And where as he sayeth/ that *Pliny*
maketh *Cyprium* a strange or foren tre/ which groweth not in *Italy*: he re-
porteth not truely of *Pliny*/ for *Plinies* wordes of *Cypros* are these: *Ligu-
strum eadem arbor est quæ in oriente Cypros*. *Ligustrum* is the same tre that *Cy-
pros* is in the East. How shal a man then gather that *Pliny* sayeth/ that
there is no *Cypros* in *Italy*/ when as he sayeth thus playnly as ye haue
hearde that *Ligustrum* is the same tre that *Cypros* is in the East/ then if
Ligustrum and *Cypros* be all one as he sayeth: then/ when as *Ligustrum*
groweth in *Italy*/ then groweth also there *Cypros*. But *Massarius* expoun-
deth these wordes: *Ligustrum* is the same tre that is *Cypus* in the East/
after thys maner: He must vnderstand that where *Pliny* sayeth the same:
that thys worde the same/ is as muche to say as the same in lyknes. For if
he would that *Cypros* should haue bene *Ligustrum*/ he would not haue
sayde in the xij. booke/ *Cypros* is a tre in *Egypt* wyth leaues of *iuiuba*/
when as *Ligustrum* groweth euery where in *Italy*. Nether doth he hold
in that place/ that *Cypros* is *Ligustrum*/ where he sayeth: *Quidam dicunt Cy-
prum esse arborem, quæ in Italia Ligustrum vocatur*. Some say that *Cypus* is the
tre whiche is called in *Italy* *Ligustrum*. These be hys argumentes where

Of the litle tre called *Ligustrum* or *Cypros*.

With he would haue proued that *Cypros* and *Ligustrum* were not all one. But to answer vnto to hys reasones/ I are of hym or any other that holdeth hys opinion/where or in what place *Theophraste*/ *Dioscorides* or *Pliny*/ or any other good writers of herbes/ vled any such phrase or maner of speaking as thys. The lefe of *Betony* is an oke lefe/ or the lefe of *veruyn* is an oke lefe/ because the oke leaues are lyke vnto the leaues of *veruyn* and *betony*. Who dyd euer say that an ape was a man/ because he is lyke vnto a man? surely that I remembre/ I haue not red any suche phrase in *Pliny* nether in any other good autor. But what if thys were a ryse phrase in *Pliny*/ yet for all that/ it should not folow in this place that *eadem*/ should betoken lyke. And that shall I proue by thys reason. We grant that *Ligustrum* is very lyke *Cypros*/ and so lyke that the one may be named wpyth the others names/ because they be so lyke. Then if *Ligustrum* haue also the properties of *Cypros* as it hath. The perfit lykewise/ where in differeth the one from the other/ when as they agre in all poyntes both in lyknes and in vertues. But *Pliny* gyueth the same vertues vnto *Ligustro* that *Dioscorides* gyueth vnto *Cypros*: rede the places in the forsayde autores/ and ye shal fynde that I say true. Wherefore seyng that *Ligustrum* is *Cypros* both in lyknes and in vertue/ the interpretation of *Maffarius* is not to be allowed. And as for the meanyng of these wordes of *Pliny*/ *Ligustrum* is the same tre that *Cypros* is in the East/ it hath hys profites/ vles and comodities in Europa etc. We thynke/ that thys is the ryght vnderstandyng of them. The tre that is called in the East *Cypros*/ is called *Ligustrum* in Italy. But althoughe *Cypros* in the East be much stronger in operation/ yet our *Ligustrum* is not altogether without vertue in Italy/ for it hath these vertues folowynge/ whiche in dede *Dioscorides* as I sayd before/ gyueth vnto *Cypros*. But yet I must answer to an other reason that *Maffarius* maketh/ which is thys: If *Pliny* had meant that *Cypros* had bene *Ligustrum*/ then wold he not haue sayde in the xij. booke/ *Cypros* is a tre in Egypt/ when as *Ligustrum* groweth euery where in Italy. Tho whome I answered/ by thys question/ in what book writeth *Pliny* that *Ligustrum* is *Cypros*? writeth he not so in the xxij. booke? Thys ones graunted that *Cypros* is *Ligustrum*/ and that *Ligustrum* groweth in Italy/ I trow when as *Pliny* holdeth both these sentences/ that he gathereth not truely of *Pliny* that he should mean that *Cypros* were not to be found in Italy. *Pliny* in the sam place where he sayeth that *Cypros* is a tre in Egypt/ he sayeth also: *Quidam hanc esse dicunt arborem quæ in Italia Ligustrum vocetur.*

Some say þ thys is the tre which is called in Italy *Ligustrum*. Then when as to saye that *Cypros* is in Egypt/ is not to deny that it is in Italy and to alledge that som men say that *Cypros* is the tre which is called in Italy *Ligustrum*/ is much lesse to deny that *Ligustrum* is in Italy: thys reason of *Maffarius* is found to be as weke as hys former argumentes be. If that any aske of me how chanceth that *Pliny* semeth to dout in þ xij. booke wheter *Cypros* be *Ligustrum* or no/ and that in the xxij. he pronunceth and gyueth sentence of it that he semeth to dout of before. I answer that *Pliny* when as he wrote the xij. booke/ doubted wheter *Cypros* was *Ligustrum* or no/ ether because he had heard it so to be ether of som vncertayn reporte/ or had red it in som autor/ whose autorite deserued not full credit/ and that

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When he wrote a good season afterwarde the xiiij. booke/ he had in the mean tyme learned of credible and learned men/or red in credit worthy au-
tores/that Cyprios was Ligustru. Betwene the twelfth booke and the xiiij.
ten bookes are conteyned/and some one booke conteyned in printe ix. large
sheetes of papper: What tyme will a resonable man geue vnto Pliny for the
studying setting in order/and wytyng of these x. bookes? If ye grant hym
a moneth for every booke to perfit it/ as ye can grant hym no lesse: seying
that he was the admirall or chiefe rueler of the Emperoures Navi/ and so
cumbred with many weighty besynesses which belonged vnto hys office/ye
must grant that in the space of x. monethes Pliny myght not only ha-
ue learned the certaynte of Cyprios/ but of many other thynges where of he
was vncertayn before. Therfore thys ought to trouble no man that Pliny
in hys later booke doth hold boldly/ it where of in hys former booke/ he
was doutfull. The other reasones of Massarius I passe ouer as so weak
that even the yong studentes of Physick are able inoughe to confut by
them selues. These reasones I thought that it was mete/ that I should an-
swere to/ lest any mā by redyng of Massarius Venetus/ who writeth lear-
nedly of fishes/ should by his argumentes bring hym from the truth/ which
Ruellius/ Fuchsius/ and Matthiolus defend/ in holdyng that Cyprios is Li-
gustrum. Pryuet groweth very plentiously/ in Cambrich shyre in the hed-
ges/ and almoste in every gardin in London.

Ligustrum

The vertues of Priuet.



He leues haue a byndyng nature/ wherefore they are good
to be chowed in the mouth to hele the sores of it. If they be
layd to emplaster wyse/ they are good agaynst greate bur-
nynges or inflammationes and carbuncles. Whatsoever
thyng is burned with the fire/ may be healed with the broth
of Priuet leues. The flour of Priuet layd vnto the foreheade/
swageth the ache thereof. The oyle of Priuet/ heateth and softeneeth the
synewes if it be menged with those thynges that are of an hote nature.

Of the Lily.



Lilium is called in Greke Krinon or Lirion/ in En-
glishe a Lily/ in Duche wysz Lilgen or Gilgen/ in
frenche du Lis. The Lily hath a long stalk and
seldom more then one/ howbeit it hath somtyme ij.
It is ij. or iij. cubites hyghe. It hath longe leues
and somthyng of the fasshon of the great satyrion.
The flour is excedyng white/ and it hath the foyme
or fasshon of a long quiver/ that is to say final at the
one end/ and byg at the other. The leues of the
floures are full of cresses. The ouermost endes of the leues bowe a litle back
warde/ and from the lowest parte within/ come furth long small yelow
thynges lyke thredes/ of an other smell then the floures are of. The roote is
round/

Of the Lily.

Lilium



Lilium purpureum



round/and one pece groweth hard to an other allmoſte after the maner of the roote of Garleke/ but that the clowes in the Lily are broder. There is alſo a rediſh purple colored Lily beſyde the white/ where of Dioſcorides alſo maketh mention.

The vertues and properties of the Lily.

The oyntment made of Lilies ſoſteneth the ſynewes and alſo very well the hardnes of the mother. The leues of the herbe layd to/ are good agaynſt the ſtyngyng of ſerpentes. The ſame made hote/ are good for places that burned. If they be layd vj. and ſeaſoned in vinegre/ they heale woundes. The iuice ſodden with hony or vinegre in a braſen veſſel/ is a good medicine for olde ſores and for grene woundes. The roote roſted and broken wyth roſe oyle/ healeth places burned wyth the fyre. It ſoſteneth y mother. It bringeth weomen theyr deſpyred ſicknes. It couereth woundes wth a ſkin. If it be broken & bruſed wth hony/ it healeth out ſynewes/ & places out of ioynte. It healeth ſcurfynes/ ſcales/ ſcabbes and Lepres/ & it ſcoureth away the rynnyn ſores in the heade. It ſcoureth y face and taketh away the wrynkles. It is good to be brayed wyth the leues of henbain & whete mele/ in vinegre to ſwage the inflammation or burnyng heat of the ſtones.

Of the herbe Limonium.

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stones. The sede drunken is a remedy agaynst the bytyng of serpētes. The leues and the sede are good to be layde vnto the cholerik inflammation called Erysipelas.

Of the herbe called Limonium.

Pyrola.

Limonium.



Limonium hath leues like vnto a bete/ but thynner and longer/ ten in numbze/ and oft tymes more/ a thyme stalck/ & a streyght lyke vnto a lily. It is full of red byndyng sede. Some learned men hold that the herbe called pyrola/ of the lyknes that it hath wyth a pere tre lese/ and in Duche wintergruene/ is the ryght Limonium. But pyrola hath not leues longer then a bete/ nether x. or more together.

Other holde/ that bistorta is Limonium/ but nether the leues are like betes leues/ nether hath it such a stalck/ as can ryghtly be compared vnto a lilies stalck. But he y shoulde vse ether of both these for Limonio/ he shuld not do amise. For all though they differ from Limonio in lyknes/ yet they agre well in properties.

Matthiolus setteth furth ii. figures of Limoniū/ but the former hath not a stalck lyke a lily/ wherfore it can not be Limonium. And as for the second/ although it agreeth metely well wyth the description/ I can not

tell whether it be Limoniū or no/ because he telleth not whether the sede be byndyng or no. If he wold haue taught vs the Italiane name of it/ perchāce som of vs that here after shall go into Italy/ myght spere it out and fynd it by that name. But now haue we nothyng to help vs wyth al/ sayyng only the figure wherfore we shal come more handly by the knowledge of hys Limonium.

The vertues of Limonium.



The sede of Limonium broken and drunken in wyne/ in the mesure of ii. vneces or thereabout/ is good agaynst all kyndes of fyres/ both bloody fyres/ & other. And the same is good for the bloody isshue that women are som tyme vexed wyth all.

Of the herbe called Flax or line:

Linum.



Lax is an herbe wyth a small stalk / where bypon grow many smal leues / somthyng long & sharpe at the ende. It hath blue floures in y top of the stalk / and after that they be gone / ther come furth round knoppes / sayng that ther is in the end a sharp thyng lyke a prick growyng out. These knoppes or heades are called in Northumberland bowles / and wythin these heades are long flat sedes in color redishe / and eche sede is conteyned in hys proper cell diuyded from the rest. The roote is very smal. Flax which is called of the Northmen lynt / in Duche flachs / in frenche Du lyne / in Greke Linon / and in Latin Linum / groweth very plentuously in the North parte of England / and should grow as plentuously also in the South parte / if men regarded not more theyr priuat lucre then the kynges Latwes and the comen profit of the hole realm. I haue sene flax or lynt growyng wilde in Sommerset shyre wythin a myle of Welles / but it hath fewer bowles in the top then the sownen flax hath / and a greate deale longer stalk. Whiche thynges are a sure token that flax would grow there if men would take the payn to sow it.



The vertues of Lint sede.



Lint sede hath the same vertue that fenegrek hath. It scattereth abroad or dryueth away. It softeneth any thyng that is inflamed or very hote / & hath any hardnes / whether it be with in / or wythout / if it be sodden wyth hony / oyl / and a litle water / or if it be put into sodden hony. When it is raw / it taketh away the defautes of the face and frekles / and litle swellynge there / if it be layd to emplaster wyle wyth nitre or salpeter and ashes of a fygtre. It dryueth away swellynge behinde the eares / & hardnes & rynnynge sores. And if it be sodden wyth wyne it scoureth away rynnynge sores / whose matter is lyke hony. It pulleth away roughe nayles with a like portione of cresses & hony. It draweth furth the diseases of y breste / if it be taken w hony in y maner of an electuari / it swageth the coughe. If it be taken in a cake plentuously with peper / it will stir men to generation of chylder. The broth of lynt sede is good to be poured in / agaynst the gnawynge / and goyng of the skin both of the guttes & also of the mother. It byngeth also furth the ordur or

Dung

Of Grummel or Graymile.

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Dung of the belly. It is good for weome to sit in water where in lynt sede is lodden against the inflammations and hete of the mother. I haue red in a practicioner/ that vi. vnces of lynt sede oyle a good remedy against the pe-
 rilence if it be dronken all at one tyme. In other practicioners I rede that the oyle of lint sede is good for to be dronken about the mesure of two or iij. vnces with barley water agaynst the pleuresi. But let the oyle be freshe in anytyme/for if it be old/ it is unholsom/and not to be takē within the body.

Of Grummel or graymile.

Lithospermon.



Lithospermon is called of the commen herbaries and apothecaries milium solis/in Duch steinsamen/ in frenche gremil/and it should be called in English gray mile and not as it is now called grummell. It is called milium of the herbaries/ and in frêche mil/ and also in Englishe/ because in forme and fas-
 shō it is like the yelow sede/which is called in Latin milium/and it is called gray mil of the blewish gray color that it hath/to put a difference betwene it/and the other mile or millet. The Duche men gyue the name of the hardnes of the sede which is lyke vnto a stone hardnes.

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The

Csgrammel or graymile.

The description of Lithospermon out of Dioscorides



Lithospermon hath leues lyke vnto an Oliue/ but longer and broder and softer/ namely they that come furth of the roote & lye vpon the grounde. The braunches are streyght/ small/ strōg and of the bygnes of a sharpe rishe and woddish. And in the top of the is ther a double furthgrowyng/ or a double thyng growing out/ and ech of the is lyke a stalck/ with long leues/ and by them is there a stony sede/ litle and rounde of the bygnes of Drobus. It groweth in rough & hygh places. Mattheolus suppoeth that Fuchsius doth not knowe the ryght Lithospermon of Dioscorides/ because he setteth out/ as he sayeth the lesse milium solis for Lithospermon. As for my parte I grant that there groweth a better kynde of Lithospermon viij. myles aboue Bōne in Germany in a wild countre called Kaltland/ then thys comen Lithospermon called communely milium solis is. But it had ben Mattheolus deuty to haue proued by the description of Dioscorides or by some parte of it/ at the lesse/ that milium solis that Fuchsius setteth furth/ is not the true Lithospermon/ and then myght he haue layd ignorance vnto Euchsusses charge the better. But in my iudgemēt Mattheolus is more ignorāt of the true Lithospermon/ then Fuchsius is/ for it that he setteth furth/ doth nether agre with the descriptiō of Dioscorides/ nor yet of Pliny. The herbe that Mattheolus setteth out/ (he myght haue set out the best Lithospermon/ and the hole perfite herbe with all his partes/ seying that he maketh Lithospermon so communely knowne vnto all men in Italy) hath but two small stalckes where vpon the leues & sedes grow/ and they are set out/ not streyght but crooked/ and bowyng diuerse wayes. Lithospermon of Dioscorides hath diuerse braunches that are ryght or streyght. The two furth growynges that Dioscorides sayeth/ are in the toppes of the braunches/ can not be sene in it that Mattheolus setteth furth. The leues of Lithospermon that Dioscorides describeth are longer & broder then an Oliue tre leueis/ namely they that are next vnto the grounde. But the leues of it that Mattheolus setteth furth/ semeth a lyke lōg and brode in all places of the stalck or twyg & they grow on/ & resemble very litle an Oliue lese as any mā that knoweth an oliue lese can bere witnes. The Lithospermon of Dioscorides hath the sede in the top/ for Dioscorides saith. In ramulorum cacumine duplex est exortus cauliculo similis, folijs longis, inter quae paruum semen, &c. But the Lithospermon that Mattheolus paynteth hath the sedes euen from the root almoste vnto the ouermost top of all. Wherefore Mattheolus accusyng Fuchsius of an error/ erreth in Lithospermon much more hym selfe. If he say that he setteth furth Lithospermon Plinij/ the he granteth by sayng so/ that he knoweth nomore the ryght Lithospermon Dioscorides/ then Fuchsius lately checked for ignorance doth/ for it is euident that the Lithospermon of Dioscorides and Plinij are two diuerse herbes. But the lithospermon that Mattheolus paynteth/ doth not agre with it that Pliny describeth/ for it that Pliny describeth/ hath leues twyse as byg as rue leues and diuerse twyggy braunches/ and certayn thinges lyke litle berdes/ in whose toppes it hath litle stones/ of the bygnes of ciches. Then when as it that Mattheolus paynteth/ hath leues six tymes as byg as rue leues and no twyggy braunches/ nether any thinges lyke litle berdes in whose toppes litle stones do grow of the bygnes of a ciche. (for they appere to be many partes lesse)

leffe) the herb that Matthiolus setteth furth/ is not Lithospermon Pliny
 we haue in England growyng among the corne an herbe in all poyntes ly
 ke vnto it/ that Matthiolus setteth furthe. But that kynd doth no man that
 I haue sene/ take for the ryght Lithospermo/ but for a bastard kynde of it.

graymil
 graymil

The vertues of Lithospermon or gray mill.

The sede of Lithospermy hath this property/ that if it be broken with
 whyt wyne/ it breaketh the stone and driueth furth water. Aurores
 wyte that it breketh chesely the stone in the bladder if it be broken
 small and broken with wyne.

Of Darnel.

Dioscorides describeth not lolium/ which thyng hath bene the
 cause that many haue erred in Lolio/ and taken other wedes
 for it. For som haue takē tares for Lolio/ and other cocle. But
 by wordes that Dioscorides in other places and Theophrast
 wyte of Lolio/ will not suffer that tares or cocle shal be Lo-
 lium. Dioscorides in the description of Phenix/ wyteth that
 Phenix hath an eare lyke vnto lolium. But nether tares nor cocle haue any
 eares at all/ wherefore nether of them both can be lolium. Theophrast in
 the fift chapter of hys fourth boke de historia plantarum comparýng Lol-
 ium and ryle together/ sayeth. Quod orizam vocant (id semini nūcupato simile est)
 pistumque tanquam alica, redditur concoctu perfacile, aspectu lolijs simile &c.
 But nether cocle nor tares are in any poynt lyke vnto ryle/ wherefore nether
 of the cā be Lolium Theophrasti. Saynt Hierome wytyng bpō these wordes
 of saynte Matthevis gospel/ sayeth. Inter triticum & zizaniā, quod Lolium ap-
 pellamus, quā diu herba est, nec dum culmus venit ad spicā, grandis similitudo est,
 & in discernendo aut difficilis aut nulla distantia. There is great lyknes betwene
 whete and zizaniā/ which we call lolium/ as long as it is an herbe/ and
 the stalke is not yet commed to the ere/ ether it is not possible to discern the
 one from the other or elles very harde. But when as cocle and tares come
 first furth/ they may be easely discerned from wheat. Therefore nether cocle
 nor tares can be the Lolium of saynt Hieromes tyme/ where vpon it folo-
 weth that cocle and tares are nether the lolium of Dioscorides/ nor of Theo-
 phrast/ nor yet zizania in scripture. But all these markes aboue reherled a-
 gre well vnto the wede/ & we cal in English darnel/ whyche the Duch men
 call lulch/ and the frenche iura/ thefore our Darnell is the ryght Lolium.

The properties of Darnel.

Darnel hath the vertu to scour away round about/ fretting sores/
 rotten sores/ and deadly burnynge sores/ if it be beten into pou-
 der and layd to. With radices and salt layed to implaster wy-
 se/ it healeth wilds curffes/ and with vnburned bymistone and
 vinegre lepres. The same sodden in wyne with lint sede/ and
 doues dung/ resolueth hard lumpes and wennes/ and breketh
 such places as are harde to be made rype. If it be sodden with mede/ it is
 good

Of the h. rbe called Lotus vrbana.

good to lay vpon the place diseased wth the sciatica. If there be made of it a perfume/ with perched barley mele/ and myz/ or safrone/ it helpeth conception. It is hoot in the begynninge of the thyrd degre and dry in the end of the second degre.

Of the herbe called Louchitis altera.



Louchitis altera/ as Dioscorides writeth/ hath leues lyke vnto ceterache/ which is called Asplenū/ but greater/ rougher/ and much more diuided or cut in. And no more doth he write of the description of Louchitis. I haue sene y^e herbe oft both in Germany/ and in diuerse places of Sommerset shyre/ and Dorset shyre. It is muche longer then ceterach/ and the gapes that go betwene y^e teth/ if a man may call the so/ are muche wyder then the cuttes that are in ceterach. And the teth are muche longer and sharper. I know no English name that it hath. But of the lyknes that it hath vnto a cōbe and a ferne/ it may be called combe ferne. Hieronymus Tragus calleth it Asplenū syluestre/ and in Duche walt asplenō. It groweth muche in darck laynes/ about bushe rootes/ and out of the shaddow oft tymes alone.

The vertues of the second Louchitis.



The herbe which I name combeferne/ is meruelous good for woundes/ for if it be layd vnto woundes/ it is a good defensiu for them/ for it will defend the woundes from burnyng/ or inflammationes. If the herbe be dried and dronken in wyne/ it will minishe the swellng of the milt.

Of the herbe called Lotus vrbana.



Dioscorides writeth nomore of lotus vrbana/ but that som men do call it trifoli/ or clauer/ and that it groweth in gardines. Wherefore it is very hard by these few wordes to gather among so many threleued herbes as we haue/ which of them is y^e ryght Lotus vrbana. Matthiolus thynketh that the comen Melilote/ is Lotus vrbana/ and Amatus Lusitanus holdeth that alleluya or wodsore is Lotus vrbana. But the learned men of ferraria/ when I was there/ shewed me an other herbe/ differing from both these/ and layd that it was the ryght Lotus vrbana. The herbe at the first syght is very lyke vnto the herbe called in Englishe wodsorel/ or alleluya. But in these/ it and the wodsore differ. The wodsore groweth only in woddes/ and in wild places/ but thys herbe groweth only in gardines and in towner as far as I could hether to learn. The wodsorel/ hath nothyng resembling a stalck/ for y^e floures grow fro the roote vpo a long small pediculo/ that is a footlyng or footstalcke such as chyries grow on/ and the floures are whyte and in. partes bygger the y^e floures of thys herbe are/ which I set furth for Loto vrbana. But thys herbe hath a litle stalck & in y^e top of y^e growe ij. or. iij. yelow floures or more som tyme/ & som tyme fewer. It hath a sour taste as wodsorel hath.

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L. corniculatus?

Of the herbe called Lotus urbana.

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Lotus Urbana.



This herbe do I iudge rather to be the ryght Lotus urbana then ether wood forell/ or melilote. For as melilote is not fit to be eaten and is a wilde herbe/ not therfore to be norisshed in gardines/ so the woodfozel all though it were mete to be in gardines/ and is very good to make salletes of: Yet it groweth not comely in gardines as the other doth/ wherefore it appeareth þ this herbe whych is found as far as I know no where/ but in gardines should rather be lotus urbana the any of þ other ii. herbes. I neuer saw thys herbe/ but twyse in all my lyfe/ ones in Ferrara & ones in Clauena. wherefore I know no Englishe name for it: herwe it/ it may be named in English gardin clauer or four clauer/ or sallat clauer.

The vertue of gardin clauer.



If that ye will take the iulce of thys herbe and put honny vnto it/ if ye lay it to the eyes/ it will dryue away þ whyte sores in the eyes called argemata/ the cloudes of the eyes & other darknes.

Of the herbe called Lotus sylvestris.



Lotus sylvestris that is called wylde lotus/ which som call þ less trifoli/ groweth in Libia. It hath a stalck two cubites hyghe & somtyme hygher/ it hath leues lyke þ medow clauer or trifoly/ & sede lyke fenegreke/ but much lesse with a certayne taste lyke a medicine/ Theophrast in the vii. booke de historia plantarū & in þ xiiij. chapter semeth to make a greate sorte more of wild lotus the Dioscorides maketh. For he writeth thus of the kyndes of lotus. Certayn kyndes of herbes haue many formes and fashones/ and but one name/ as lotus. For there are many kyndes of lotus which are disseuered/ and differ one from an other/ in lese/ stalck/ flower/ and fruite. Take it that is called mel frugum/ for an example/ which differeth from all the other in vertue and in maner of meate that it hath. But Theophrast describeth neuer one of the kyndes of lotus/ where of he maketh so many kyndes: wherefore a man can not lerne of him the difference betwene one potus and an other. He semeth to giue som great difference to it that groweth in the corne/ which he calleth mel frugum. But yet a man cannot gather therby that it is the lotus sylvestris that Dioscorides describeth. But because I haue sene oure comen melilote both with a yelow and also with a whyte

White & yellow melilote

Of Hoppes.

a whyte flour/growing amongst the corne both besyde Bon/besyde Sou
des/ and besyde woymes in hyghe Germany and no other kynde of lotus
so growyng: I take it to be the kynde of lotus which he called mel frugum.
And because the herbe whiche is called in hyghe Duchland stundkraut / &
in Netherland wit nardus/ is a long herbe of two cubites hyght/ and hath
a certayn physick taste in the sede by reason where of it is called whyte nar-
dus in fresslat/ and hath leaues lyke vnto y medow clauer oz trifoly/ I take
it to be y lotus syluestris/ where of Dioscorides writeth: let other men iudge
as they lyst. It groweth not wilde nether in Englād nor in Germany/ and
I haue not sene it wylde in the felde in Italy/ for it that groweth in Italy
hath a yelow flour/ when as thys that I take to be lotus syluestris/ hath a
pale blewish flour.

The vertues of Lotus Syluestris.



Wilde lotus heateth and byndeth a lytle/ it scoureth away the
deformities and spottes in the face/ if it be anoynted therewith
and with hony. The herbe broken by it self oz with mallows
sede/ and dronken with Maluasy oz any other wyne/ is good
againste the payn of the blader.

Of Hoppes.

Lupulus.



Can fynd no mentio of
hoppes in any olde au-
tor/ sauing only in Pliny.
But he doth not de-
scribe it. Ioānes Mes-
sue a yonger wyter /
maketh our hoppes the fourthe kinde
of volubilis/ & he describeth it thus:
The furth kynde of volubilis hath le-
ues like a citrul but sharp, and y flou-
res are full of leues one growyng o-
uer an other/ after y maner of scales/
and this kynde is called lupulus. It
is temperate/ oz rather colde in the be-
gynnyng of y first degre. All these to-
kens agre well with our hoppes/ sa-
uyng that where he sayeth that the
fourthe winde is colde/ for after y ler-
nyng of Galene because the rypp flou-
res are bitter & bite y tong not a litle/
they are hote at the leste in the begyn-
nyng in the secōd degre. Let any lear-
ned man that will taste of it that gro-
weth both in Italy and Germany/ &
he shall fynde that I say true. Where
fore it is playn that ether the fourth
wynde of Mesue is not our hoppes/
whiche I will not hold/ oz elles Mes-
sue

he meained not of the rype floures whē he sayd that hoppes were cold/ but of the yōg tēdre knoppes/ whiche when they come first furth lyke sperages/ are temperate or rather colde/ as other buddes and vnripe frutes of other hote plantes be many/ as all learned men can tell. I neuer saw better hoppes then I saw growyng wyldē a litle from the wall that goeth from Cher tosa to Dauia/ by a litle riuers syde. They grow also wyldē in many places both of England & of Germany. The hop bushe is called of the later Greccianes byron/ of Pliny lupus salictarius/ of y Barbarus wyters humulus/ of the later learnedet wyter lupulus/ in Duche hopfen.

The vertues of Hoppes.



Hoppes purge or scour the blood mesurably of yelow choler/ and clengeth it/ and tempereth it well/ whilse they quēche the heat of it. And thys do they moste chesely when as they are infused/ or steped in whay. The syrop made of Hoppes is good against the guellucht or iaūdes/ and for agues y come of the heat of the blood or of choler. The hop with hys iuice and perched barle is good for the burnyng headache and for the great heat of y stomach/ and lyuer. wherfore seyng that it is so hollsom a medicine/ I meruel y the Physicianes of thys tyme/ vse it nomore in medicine. Thus muchē hath Helue wyrtē of hoppes.

Out of other yet later writers.



Hoppes purge furth both choler and melancholy/ they dryue away y impostemes/ and swellynge. They dryue out by the stole the water of the dropse. The iuice of Hoppes dronken rawe/ purgeth the belly more then otherwise taken. But then it openeth not so muche. When it is sodden/ it openeth more but then it purgeth lesse. The iuice poured into the eares/ saueth them from corruption and saueth them from styngyng. The rootes open stoppynges/ and specially of the milt and lyuer.

Of the pulse called Lapines.



Lapinus is named in Greke thermos/ in Duche feig bon/ in frēche lupin/ and so may it be called in Englishe/ or if a man will solow the Duche/ he may call it a fyg bene. Lupine hath one lōg stalke/ and a lese with v. or seuen taggers/ which altogether/ when as they are growen out/ haue the lykenes of a ruel of a spoz/ or of a sterre. The floure is whyte/ in whose place/ when it is gone/ commeth after a lōng cod/ wher in are v. or seuen sedes in coloz whyte and without/ somtyme a litle redishe/ in fashon flat lyke a cake: it hath a shord roote in coloz redishe. The leues of lupines turne with y son/ as Pliny wyrtēth and experience teacheth.

The vertues of Lupines.



He mele of lupines/ licked by with hony/ or if it be taken with dzin/ ke/ dryueth wormes out of the belly. The lupines selues steped/ and eatē with theyr bitternes/ are good for the same purpose. The broth
of them

Of the pulse called Lupines.

Lupini albi.



of them hath lyke vertue/ dronken wth rue and pepper/ and so is it good for the that haue the disease of the milt. wth the same it is good to bathe and washe wild sores / gangrenes/ and the scab/ when it beginneth first to come burstinges of it of wheles/ rynnynge sores of y^e hede/ frekles and spottes. Lupines put into the body after the maner of a suppositori/ with hony and myrr / all beyng wrapped in woll / draweth both down wo- mens floures/ and also hyr burden y^e she goeth with if it be rype. The flour or mele of lupines with lynt se- de/ amendeth y^e saine and blew markes: with perched barley & water it swa- geth inflamationes/ and burnynge. It easeth swellynge/ and it is good for the sciatica layd on with vinegre. If it be layd to with vinegre where in it is sodden/ it heleth wenues and bursteth carbuncles. Lupines sod- den in rayn water / vntill they were to wogh into a thick broth/ scour and make clene the face. Lupines are also good for the scabboz maugenes of cattell with the roote of black cha-

meleon/ so that they be wasshed with the warm broth that they are sod- den in. The rootes sodden in water / prouoke or stir a man to make wa- ter. Lupines broken/ after that by steppynge they wer swete/ if they be dron- ken in vinegre take away the lothsomnes of the stomake and ingendreth an appetit an lust to eat. The smoke of lupines burned/ dryue gnattes and mydges away as Pliny wyrteth.

Of Lysimachia.



Lysimachia putteth furth stalkes of the lenght of a cu- bit or som tyme longer/ busshy/ small/ & the leues com- out at y^e knees or knottes/ or ioyntes of y^e herbe. They are thinne & in fashō lyke wylow leues & in taste byn- dyng. The flour is darck rede or of y^e coloz of golde. It groweth in watery & in marishe & fernish groun- des. Thys is a very comen herbe in Germany & En- gland: I meruell y^e Matthiolus could not fynd it in Italy vntil it was sent hym from Rome by Vincent Caton to Goritia. But all though it be found in mani places of Englād/ yet I coude



Lysimachia III.



L. vulgaris

I coulde neuer learne any Englishe name of it. It may be well called after the etimologi of the worde/ and also of y^e vertue that it hath lous strife/ or it may be called herbe willow. The Duche men call it weyderich.

The vertues of Lousstrife.

The iuice of the leues/ by the byndyng poure stoppeth the castyng out of blood. It is ether to be poured in/ or to be taken inward for y^e bloody flux. If it be put in a mother supposito^{ry}/ it will stop the excessiue rynnynge or issue of the mother. If ye stop your nose wth thys herbe/ it will stop the rynnynge out of blood of it. It stayeth also the excessiue rynnynge out of blood out of woundes.

H ij woundes



Lysimachia Salicaria

Of the Mallow or Maw.

woundes. It dryueth away serpentes and killeth flies with hys smoke/ for it is wonders sharpe in sinell. There is an other *Lysimachia* besyd it that I haue spoken of with a redish purple floure/ that groweth much about water sydes with an heade like an eare: But I red of no other propreti that it shoulde haue then it which hath the yelow or golden floures.

Of the Mallow or Maw.



MAlua is named in Greke *Malachi*/ in English a Mallow/ in Dutch pappel/ in frenche mauue. Ther are two kyndes of Mallowes / the one is the gardin mallow/ and the other is the wilde mallow. And eche of these as *Pliny* writeth/ is diuided into diuerse kyndes. Of those mallowes that are sowe/ the Grecianes call the greater/ malopen. We thynck that the other is called malache/ because it softeneth the belly. Amonges the wilde mallowes it that hath the greate lese and the whyte rote/ is called althea/ and of the excellent workyng that it hath/ it is called of som *Aristalthea*. The former kynde is now called in Englishe / frenche mallow: it may be called tre mallow of the great bygnes that it groweth to. And it that is called *Malache* of the Grecianes / and is after *Pliny* the

Malua hortensis.



Malua sylvestris pumila.



M. rotundifolia.
lesse

Malua syluestris.

lesse kinde of gardin mallowes / is called in Englishe holy ok / in Duche winter rosen. The former kinde of wild mallow / which as Pliny sa- yeth / is called Althea & Aristalthea / is also called of y^e Latin writers Hi- biscus / in Englishe marsh mallow / or marrish mallow / in Duche Ibishe of Galene Anadendron / of Aetius Dēdromalache of the apothecaries maluabis malua and maluaniscus. The other kynde of wilde mallow is it that groweth wilde about tow- nes and hygh wayes / and is com- menly called in Englishe a mallow. Theophrast in the nynthe booke de historia plantarum writeth that cer- tayne thynges by dressyng and tryn- myng departe frō theyr kynde and olde nature / as the mallow doth / sa- yeth he / whiche when as it is by na- ture but an herbe / yet groweth vp into the greatenes of a tre. He sayeth that the gardin mallow within six or seuē monethes groweth so highe / that the stalck of it will serue for a lā- te staff / and that therfore diuerse vse the stalckes of mallowes for staues.

The leues of mallowes are knowen of all men to be round the sede is in a litle round forme lyke a chese / som mallow floures are rede / som blew / & som whyte / and if they had the lyke smell in beauty / myght well be compared with the rose floures. The roote is very long and depe in the ground and somthyng shympy.

The vertues of mallo^we or ma^wes.



The gardin mallow is better to be eaten / then the wyld mal- low is. Yet is it ill for the stomack and good for the belly. But y^e stalckes are much better. It is good for the inward partes / and for the blader. The leues chowed raw / and layd to with a litle salt / and hony / hele the impostemes in the corner of the eyes / but when they begin to hele / the salt must be taken a- waye. Mallowes are good to be layde to / agaynst the stynginges of was- pes and bees / for he that is anoynted with raw mallowes and oyl / shall be free from the styngyng of bees and waspes. With pisse it healeth the ryn- nyng sores / and scales / or scurfe of the heade. The leues broken and layd to with oyle are good for the wilde fyre / & burned places. If weomen will sit in the broth of mallowes / it wil softē the hardnes of the mother. It is good for the growyng and of goyng of the skyn / of the blader / guttes mother and

Of the Mandrage.

fundament/ if it be put in with a clyster. The broth of the mallow leues sod-
den with the roote/ is a good remedy agaynst al poplones/ if it be dronken
by and by after/ and be vomited out agayn. It is a good help agaynst the
bityng of a felde spyder. The seide of mallows dronken in wyne with the
seide of wilde lotus swageth the smerting of the blader. Galen and the A-
rabianes agre not in the complexion of the mallow/ for Galene gyueth a
warm qualite vnto wallowes/ as these wordes folowynge do playnly decla-
re. There is a certayn tough and shynny iuice in mallows/ which mani-
festly differeth from coldnes/ which thyng ye may perceyue even before ye
eat of the mallow/ for if ye lay it to a syrie inflammation after that ye haue
layd lettice vnto it/ ye shall fynde/ that lyke wyse as the lettice hath cooled/
that euen so the mallows warme the place that they are layd to. But A-
belsuai in Serapione/ sayeth these wordes folowynge of y^e vertues of mal-
lowes. The mallow is colde and moyste in the first degre/ and specially the
gardin mallow/ and it is euil for the stomach. And whille it is moyste/
it is good for the blader/ but yet the seide is muche better there to/ and it is
good for the roughenes or payn that commeth by going of/ of the skin/
and of the blader. It is good for the roughnes of the lunges/ and breste. It
is good to make a plaster of it with rose oyle/ and to lay it to the imposte-
mes of the kydnes and blader.

Mandragoras masc.



*Have all the herbals by
copied this figure.
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Of the Mandrage.



Here are two kindes of
Mandrag / the black
which is the female/
which is called the lettice-
cer/ with lesse leues and
narrower then lettice/ whiche haue
a strong sauor/ and are spred vpon y^e
grounde. And this kinde bereth ap-
ples lyke vnto sorbapples / pale in
coloure and well smellyng/ wherein
is conteyned seide/ lyke vnto the kir-
nelles of peres. It hath rootes of a
good bignes ij. or iij. one folowyng it
self within an other. They are black
with out/ and whyte within/ & they
are couered with a thicke barke. And
thys kynde hath no stalke. The other
kynde is the white Mandrag/ and
it is called y^e male. The leues of this
are byg/ white/ brode and smouth as
the bete lese is. The apples of thys a-
re twyse as byg as the apples of the
other be/ wth a color turnyng toward
saffron. They smell pleasantly/ ioyned
wth a certayn greuoufnes. This kinde
of Mandrage I haue oft tymes sene
in England/ & it is y^e herbe that we
call

call comenly Mandrag. The rootes whiche are conterfited & made like litle puppettes & mannettes/ which come to be sold in England in bores/ with heir/ & such forme as a man hath/ are nothyng elles but folishe feined trifles/ & not naturall. For they are so trymmed of crafty theues to mocke the poore people with all/ & to rob them both of theyr wit and theyr money. I haue in my tyme at diuerse tymes take by the rootes of Mandrag out of the ground/ but I neuer saw any such thyng vpon or in them/ as are in and vpon the pedlers rootes that are comenly to be solde in bores. The Mandrag is named in Latin Mandragoras/ in Duch/ alram. It groweth only in gardynes in England and in Germany/ but it is more comen in England then it is there. But it groweth not vnder gallofles as a certayn doctyng doctoz of Colon in hys physik lecture dyd tech hys auditozes/ nether doth it ryse of the fede of man/ that falleth from hym that is hanged/ nether is it called Mandragoras/ because it came of mans fede as y for sayd Doctoz dremed.

The vertues of Mandrage.



The iuice of Mandrag/ dronken in the quantite of a scruple in honied wyne/ draweth furth Melancoly and flemme by vomitynge/ after the maner of Helleborus. But if a man take to muche of it/ it will kill hym. It is good to be menged with the medicines and sawhe as suege ach. Men vse to take the barkes of the freshe rootes and to stamp them and to presse the iuice and to set it in the son vntill it be growen hard/ and then to put it by into erthen vesselles/ for to be vsed when nede shall requyre. They vse also to take of the bark of the roote and to put a threde throu it/ and so to hang it by/ and afterwarde to vse them. There is a iuice also taken out of the apples/ but that is not so quick in operation as the other iuice is. Som take the rootes and set them in wine vntill the thyrd parte be sodden away/ and when the broth is purified/ kepe it/ and gyue one cyat or an vnce and an half of it/ to them that can not slepe/ and to them that are in great payn/ & to such as must be burned or cut in som place/ that they should not fele the burning or cutting. It is good to be put into the mother to soften it. If it be put into the fundament after the maner of a suppositozy/ it will make a man slepe. Som wyte that the roote hath the vertue to softene euery/ if it be sodden six houres with it/ and that it will make it fit to receyue easily any figure or form that a man will graue in it. The grene leues are good to be layd to the inflammations of the eyes/ and to gatherynges/ stirred by sores wth perched barley mele. It resolueth & scattereth away wenmes/ swellynge and hardnes. The same dothe away scarres or markes of woundes without ieperdy of fretynge of the skyn/ if they be rubbed mesurably therwth for the space of vij. or seuen dayes. The leues are kept in byrne for the same purpose. The roote broken & layd to wth vinegre is good for cholerik burnynge or inflamations. If it be menged wth hony or oyle/ it is good agaynst the styngynge of serpentes/ wth water it dryueth away & resolueth hard swellynge/ & wth perched barley mele/ it slaketh the payne of the ioyntes. Wyne may be made of y roote of Mandrag wthout any lethynge/ after thys maner. The poundes of the rootes must be put into a small firkin of swete wyne/

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Of the Mandrage.

there they must lye so long together untill the vertue of the rootes is gone into the wyne. We may gyue iij. cyates of thys wyne / to them that must be cut / burned or fered. If they drynk thys drynke / they shall fele no payne / but they shal fall into a forgetfull and a slepyshe drowynnes. The apples / if a man smell of them / will make hym slepe / and also if they be eaten. And so doth the iuice that is streyned out of them. But they that smell to muche of the apples / becom dum. The sede of the apples drunken scoureth the mother / and so doth it also / if it be layd to with quick bymstone. It stoppeth the rede isshue of weomen. If ye will haue the iuice / ye must scotche & pyck the rootes in many places / and then set vesselles vnder it / and saue it. The iuice that is pressed out / is better then that which droppeth furth after cutting or scotching. But that cometh not furth in euery countre as experience teacheth vs. Because thys herbe diuerse wayes taken / is very iepardus for a man / & may kill hym if he eat it / or drynk it out of measure / and haue no remedy for it: I will shew you also remedy agaynst the poyson of it. If Mandrag be taken out of measure / by and by slepe in sueth / and a great lousyng of the streynge with a forgetfulnes. But before that cometh / it were wisdome to vomite with mede / and afterwarde to take nitre and womwood with swete wine or Malualet: ye must also poure vinegre and rose oyle vpon the patientes heade. It is good tho stirr the body and to smell of Agrimoni / pepper / mustarde / costorium / and rue / byused in vinegre. It is also good to smell of tarr / or of the styngbyng that cometh from a candle that is put out. But if the patient cannot be easely waked again / it is mete to vse such other comen remedies. Auicenna wold that they that are hurt with thys herbe / should vomit with hony and butter. Where as Dioscorides wolde that a mans heade should haue Rose oile & vinegre poured vpon it / when a man hath taken to muche of Mandrag. Mattheolus sayeth that it is agaynst reason that it shuld be layd to the heade which is colde / when as the cause of the diseases also colde / and to take to bores in one wode / he catcheth Galene and accuseth hym for a lyke faute / that is for conselyng men to pour rose oyl and vinegre vpon them that haue the drawys or forgetfull euil. And to confute Galene / he alledgeth Aetius / Paulus / and Crallianus / which do not admit oyl & vinegre alone / but woulde hote medicines as erthyne wilde tyme / penin ail / castorium / and suche lyke to be put ther to. As for Galene I leue hym vndefended at thys tyme untill I shall haue more leasure / but for Dioscorides I answer / that if iij. later wyters then Galene / were trowth to confute hym: as many myght by good reason be sufficiēt to defend Dioscorides from that fault that Mattheolus layeth vnto Dioscorides charge. But if of the witneses that he allegeth to confute Galene with all / that is Aetius and Paulus / & with them a learned laterwyter of the Grecianes Actuarius / counel that rose oyle with vinegre should be poured vpon the hedes of them that haue eaten or drunken to much of Mandrag. But Mattheolus a lytle after in the same chapter forgettyng what he had accused Dioscorides / and Galene of before / wyrteth these wordes folowynge: Tameri Mandragora poma matura, &c. Allthoughe the rype apples of Mandrag the sedes taken out / be eaten diuerse tymes with out any grefe at all: Yet the vnyrype apples eaten with theyr sede / byng dedely withfalles. There ryseth after vnsufferable heate / which burneth all the outer parte of
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the skinnie. The toung and the mouthe withere and waret dnye/wherefore they that are so vexed/ are sene allwayes gapping with theyr mouthe/and drawyng in colde ayre. Thus farr Matthiolus. Now seying that he confesseth openly here that men are in suche heat as haue eaten of the vnrype apples which are muche colder then the ripe apples be: how iultly was Dioscorides accused a litle before for counsellyng roseoyle and vinegre/because they were colde / to be poured vpon the heades of them that had taken to muche Mandrag. And how well doth thys hys sayng of the hote withfalles that came of the eatyng of the vnrype Mandrag apples/agree with it/whiche he sayd immediatly before the rehersall of the hete / that arysleth of the eatyng of the row apples in these wordes. *Ab assumpta Mandragora (nisi fallar) caput nullo afficitur calore.* The head is not vexed with any hete (except I be deceyued) after the takyng of Mandrage. Now whether that such a forgetfull man as thys is ought so boldly to chek anciant autores or no as he doth at diuerse tymes/let wyse men & lerned be iudges. But if he answer that he geueth only hete vnto the fruite/and not to the roote/beside that it may be sayd vnto hym/that so much he accuseth Dioscorides vnworthely/as the hote withfalles come to/that come of the vnrype apples experience/is agaynst hys accusyng of Dioscorides and the autozite of hym that had the same experience also. For in the booke that Serapio wrote of simples/Rasis/sayeth these wordes: *Dixerunt mihi quidam ex antiquis Babylonie, quod puella quædam &c.* Certayn of the ancientes or old men of Babylon/haue tolde me that a certayn mayde eat fise Mandrag apples/ and that she fell in a swoone/and that she becam all rede/and that a man commyng by at that tyme/poured snow water so long vpon her heade vntill she rose agayn. And I haue sene men my selfe whiche did eat of the roote of Mandrag to make them selues fat therewith/ and it chanced vnto them / as it chanceth vnto men that go out of the bath and drynke muche wyne after theyr outgoyng. For their faces was excedyngly rede and swelled. These wordes doth Rasis write in the place aboue alledged. By which a man may learne that not only the vnrype appels of Mandragora dryueth a man into a great heate outwardly/but also the rootes/ so that it is evidently now perceyued both by autozite and experience/that Matthiolus was deceyued when he sayd that nomans head was vexed with hete after the eatyng of Mandragora. These haue writen som thyng at large to cause them that are to bold to old and worthy autores/to be aduised before they do so vnaduisedly aduenture to do the same agayn. Serapio and Auicenna wyte that the sede of Mandrag taken in drynk/clengeth the mother/ and so wrote Dioscorides of the same sede many yeaeres before them/ tohereby it appereth that Rachel knowyng the nature of the fruite of Mandrag before all these writers/for thys intent/desired to haue the fruite of Mandrag/that she myght clenge her mother therewith / and thereby myght be made the fitter to conceiue childe her selfe as well as Lia her syster/ and Silfa her mayd dyd. Mandrag as Paulus Egineta writeth cooleth in the thyrde degre. The apples of it/ seme to haue som hea and moysture / by reason where of they may byng a man into an heuy slepe. But the bark of the root/is strongest of all/ and cooleth not alone but also dryeth. The inner parte is weyker.

Of the Apple tre.



Malus in Greke Malea / in English an Appel tre / in Duche ein Apffel / oder Apffelbaum / in French vn Pommer. There are ii. generall and principal kyndes of appel trees / The one is called Malus hortensis / in English an Appel tre. The other is called in Latin Malus syluestris / in English in þe Southe countre / a Crab tre / in þe North countre a scabtre. I nede not to deserybe thys tre / because it is knowen well enough in all countres.

The nature of the Apple tre and of Apples.



He leues / the floures / and the buddes / of euery Appeltre / and mooste they of the quince tre / stop and bynde. The tarte and sour apples haue the vertue to bynd / but the rype apples are of a far other nature. Among apples / they that are taken in the sprynge / ingendre choler and hurt all the synewes / & they brede inflammaciones of hote burnynges.

Out of Galene.



Thou shalt vse tarte Apples when as the stomack is weyke by the meanes of an hote distemperance / or of much moysture / but very tarte apples when as the stomack is both to hote and moyste. The soure apples when as thou thynkest þe there is grosse iuice in thy stomake / that is not very colde. For soure thynges when they fynd any grosse humoz in the stomacke / they cut it in sunder / and cary it downwarde. Apples are harde of digestion and colde / & go slowely downe / & they haue an euell iuice.

Out of Symeon Sethi.



Her are diuerse kyndes of apples one differyng from an other. What soener apples are byndyng or drawing together they haue a cold & an erthly iuice. But they that are sharp or bytyng / haue a cold iuice / but the same subtile or fyne. The swete apples are of a meane or middle complexion / and turne somthyng more to hotenes. Therefore ye must vse byndyng apples as oft as the stomacke is vexed with a hote or moyste distemperance. But sharpe apples are to be geuen as oft as a grosse humore / but not very colde / is gathered in the stomacke. For these cut in sunder / and cary downwarde. But swete apples are to be geuen vnto them that haue colde stomackes. For they are good for them / and for suche as are bitten of venemus beastes. All apples whatsoener they be of a certayn naturall property hurt the synewes. They also that are vnrype / are very noysum. It is reported that if a man eate hys fill of apples that they ingendre the stone in hym. But they are good for them that swoone / and haue a weak hartte.

Of the Quince tre.



Malus Cotonea is called in Greke Malea kydonia / in English a Quince tre / in Duche ein Quitten baum / in French vn coigner. Thys tre hath leues broder and shorter then a medler tre / the nether parte of the lefe towarde þe grownde is white / and the

Malus Cotonea.



the outer parte is grene. It hath floures lyke an apple tre/ but they grow alone and not many together as the floures are in other trees. The Quince apples are hony without / and haue an other forme moſte comely/ then apples & peares haue. Yet are they more lyke peares then apples / and they haue certayn gutters and vneuen outgrownynges lyke half columnes/ which as they are ſeldom ſene in apples/ ſo are they neuer ſene in peares.

*The vertues of the Quince tre
and hys fruite.*



Quinces are good for the ſtomack / & they make a mā piſſe well. But whē they are roſted / they are counted to be gentler. They are good for both ſ ſixes/ both for the bloody ſyr & for the other without blood / and for them that coughe out ſoul mater/ and for them that are ſick of cholet. ſpecially when they are taken raw. The ſteppynge of

them is good to be geuen to them that haue the ſix of the belly or ſtomack. The iuice of row quinces is good for thē that are ſhort wynded. The broth is good to bath the mother with all/ if it fall down. The Quinces that are condited in hony/ ſtirr a man to make water. And the hony taketh of the Quinces a ſtoppyng and thyeck makynge pour. They that are ſodden in hony/ are more pleaſant to the ſtomack/ but they do not make thyeck ſo much. They are good to be put raw into emplaſters/ to ſtopp ſ belly/ or if the ſtomacke be ſet a fyre/ or be turned with vomityng. They are good for the inflammaciones or burnynges of the pappes / and for hard miltes / and for ſwellynge about the fundament. We may make wyne of them if ye bruſe them and ſtreyn them/ but it will not laſt except ye put one quarte of hony to xv. of the iuice. For without the hony it will turn in veriuice. The wyne ſo made is good for all the thynges aboue named. Of Quinces alſo is made an oyle/ which we uſe as oft as we nede any byndyng or ſtoppyng. We muſt chueſe out the Quince apples that are round/ litle and well ſnellyng. The floures both grene and dry are put into emplaſters / and are good for all thyng that nede byndyng and for the inflammaciones of the eyes/ and vomityng of bloode. They are alſo good to be dronken agaynſt a louſe belly and the violent rynnynge furth of weomengs ſickneſ.

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Of the peche tre and the abrecok tre.



Malus Persica is called in Greke Melea persike / in Englishe a Peche tre / in Duche ein Pfersich baum / in Frenche vn Pechiers. The peche is no great tre in England that I could se / it hath long leues. The peche tre floureth with the almond tre / but y floure is reder then the almondis flour is / The peche tre is like vnto the allmond tre / in y body oz bole / in y gum / in the leues and floures / sauyng that the leues and floures are bitterer. The apples are soft and fleshy / when they are rypp somthyng hory without. The stone is very grete / and full of cresses and gutters / and with in that is ther a kirlnel lyke an almond.

Of the Abrecok tre.



Malus Armeniaca is named in Greke Melea armeniake / in hygh Ducheland ein Amarell baum as Gesner sayeth / but in the diocese of Colen where as I dwelt / it is called ein kardumelken baum. It is called in Frenche vng abrecottier. Galene / Paulus and Aetius immediately after the pech tre / make mention of Armeniak tre / and Dioscorides kepeth the same maner / but he sayeth further. τα δε μικρότερα καλούμενα δε αρμενιακα ρωμαισι δε πραινοκια ευδαμαχότερα των προειρημένων εστιν. That is to say Armeniaca / that is abrecokes which are called in Latin Præcocia, that is rypp before / are lesse then the other peches and are holsummer for the stomach then the forsayde peches are. Pliny also a Latin wyter / calleth thys kynde of peches Præcocia mala, and rekeneth it amongst the kyndes of peches. But there is thys difference betwene the abrecok / oz hasty peche tre & y other / & their fruites. The hasty pech tre hath much broder leues then the pech tre / & yys fruite is a greate tyme soner rypp then the peche is. And where as the peche stones are rough / furroed & guttered / y stone of the hasty peche is playn and smothe / and the hole fruite is much lesse then the peche is. I haue sene many trees of thys kynde in Almany & som in England / & now the fruih is called of som Englishe men an abrecok / but I thynk that an hasty peche is a better and a fitter name for it. But so that the tre be well knowen / I passe not gretely what name it is knowen by.

Malus Armeniaca.



Of the vertues of peches and hasty peches.

The peches when they are ripe/are both profitable for the stomach and belly/but hasty peches are better for the stomach as Dioscorides writeth.

Out of Galen.



Earne thou this now/that the iuice of peches/euen as the fle- she is/is soon corrupted or rotten/ and is euil. Wherefore they ought not to be eaten after meat as som vse to do/for they rot and are corrupted / while they swymme aboue other meates. And this euil must be holde in all those meates that are of euil iuice/and are moyst and slippery/ and go easely down throwghe the belly/ that they be taken before all other meates: for so shall it come to passe/ that they may more easely passe and prepare the way to other meates. But if they be taken after meate/ they corrupt both them selues & all other meates that are nere vnto them.

Of the Pomgranat tre.



The Pomgranat tre hath many small twygges which haue leues growyng vpon them streyght & lyke vnto wylow leues/but smaller/ and somthyng shorter. The floure is of a cremesin colour. The apple is rounde & full of graynes and iuice. The gra- nes haue corners lyke vnto the stones called Gra- nati. I haue sene diuerse Pomgranat trees with fruite growyng vpon them in Italy. But I haue not sene any growyng with theyr fruite in Eng- land. The Pomgranat tre is named in Greke Roia/ in Latin Malus puni- ca/ or Malus granata after som mens Latin/ in Duche ein Granat baum/ in frenche vng Pomier des granades.

The vertue of the Pomgranat tre and hys fruite.



The Pomgranat is all full of good iuice/good for the stomach/and it geueth but small noysshment. The swete are counted to be better for the stomach/but they ingendze a lytle heate/& brede wynde/where- fore they are forbidden in agues. The sour hynde/& are good for the bur- nyng stomach/and they draw much more together/& prouoke brine. They hurt the mouth & the gumes. The Pomgranat that hath the winishe taste/ hath a nature betwene both. The kirknelles of the sour Pomgranat dyed in the sonne/ether sprynkled in meat/ or sodden therwith/ are good to stopp the belly and stomach/if they be louse & to much cunnynge. If they be steeped in rayn water/& dronken/they are good for them that spitt blood. And they are good/if a man make a bath of theyr broth/for them that haue a bloody flux/ & also for the issue of a womans mother. The iuice that is pressed out of the kirknelles/is good to be sodden w hony for the sores of the mouth/of the pri- uites/& of the fundament. It is good for the whit flaw & for suche thynges as appere out in the body lyke lumps/ for the ach of the eares/ & for the di- seases of the nolethrilles. The floures of the Pomgranat tre called Cytni/ bynd/dry/hold in/& ioyne woundes together. And the floures are of the same effect that the apple is of. The moyst gumes & louse teth are helped/ if they be washed with a broth of these floures. If the same floures be put into an

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Of the Citron, Orenge and Limon tre.

emplaster/they are good for the burstyng & commeth by & fallyng downe of the guttes. For they dryue the guttes back agayn. Malicorium is & rough shel of a Pomgranat/ which som call Sidion. That hath & vertue to make thick/ & serue for the same purpose that the floures do. The broth of the roote of the tre sodden/ dryueth furth brode wormes out of the belly. Balanstrum is the floure of the wild pome granat/ and it is lyke vnto the flour of the gar- dine Pomgranat/ and there are diuerse kyndes there of. Som white/ som red like golde/ som of & color of a rose. There may a iuice be take out of it/ as is of Hypoquistida/ & it will serue for the same purpose & Hypoquistida doth.

Out of the comen herbaries and practicioners.



He four Pomgranat is good for & hart burn/ for the swoomyng that commeth of choler. It is good for the inflammation of the lyuer/ and to prouoke appetite. The syrop of Pomgranates is good for woe- men with chylde/ and for the heat of the stomack and lyuer.

Of the Citron, Orenge and Limon tre.



Malus medica which is called malus Assyria/ is also called Ci- trus/ in Englishe a Citron tre. Under the which tre/ are also conteyned the Orenge and the Limon tre/ as perteynyng vnto the same kinde. The Citron tre as Dioscorides writeth byn- geth furth fruite all tymes of the yeaer/ and whille som are fallyng of/ other are growyng by inunder agayn. The apple is long/ full of wyndes & of the color of golde. It hath a good smell/ but a certayn vnple- santnes therewith. It hath sedes lyke apere. Thus far Dioscorides. But Virgil in the second booke of his Georgikes describeth the Citron tre thus. Media byngeth furth sadde iuices & a slow taste/ of an happy apple. There is no better remedy that commeth/ if the cruell stepmothers haue poysoned & cuppes/ & haue menged herbes & hurtefull wordes together/ for it dryueth black poyson out of the membres. The tre is great/ and in fallshon much lyke vnto a bay tre. And it should be a bay tre/ if it kest not furth abrode a farr other sauor. The leues fall away with no wynde/ the floure is very toughe. The Medians ble it agaynst theyr styngkyng mouthe and brethes/ and they hele therewith old men that are shortwynded.

Of the Citron tre out of Pliny.



He Assyrian apple tre which is named of som medic apple/ is a re- medy agaynst poysones. It hath a lese lyke vnto it of the arbut or strawberri tre/ with diuerse pyckes rymyng betwene/ but the ap- ple is not eaten. It is also very excellent in the smell of the leues/ whiche goeth into the clothes/ if it be layd by with them/ and dryueth away all noysom beastes from thence. The tre is fruitful at all tymes/ whille som fall/ som war rype. And whille som are rype/ other yonger grow and were by in vnder. Many nationes haue assayed to remoue it and to byng it vnto them the excellencie of the remedies/ in erthen vesselles/ leuyng certayn bre- thyng holes vnto the roote/ euen as all other thynges of that sorte/ which should be caried farr/ ought to be straptly set.

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Out of Theophrast.

The plage or parte of the worlde toward the vpspryng of the son/and toward the south/as it byngeth furth certayn beastes/ so (as it appereth) it byngeth furth besyde the nature of other quarters/certayn peculiar or proper herbes. The land of Media and Persis / besyde many other thynges/byngeth furth the apple tre/ which som call the Persik tre/ and som Medic tre. Thys tre hath a lese lyke and almoste equal vnto the lese of the tre called Adzachne/and suche prickes as the pere tre hath/or as the sharp thorn tre hath/but smouth/and excedyng sharpe/ and strong. The apple is not eaten/but it excelleth in smell/the lese also of the tre is wonderfully well smellyng. And if they be put amongest clothes/they kepe the clothes harmles. It is good when as a man hath dronken a dedly drynk/it is good also for to make a mans bryeth sauoz well. For if any man take the inwarde of it/and seth it in any broth or moysture/and put it into the mouth & digest it/it will make hys bryeth sauoz swete. The seide is taken away and sown in the spryng/in fozrowes very diligently trimmed/it is watered euery fourth or fift day/and when it is a lytle greater/it is remoued. In the spryng of the yeare it is remoued agayn into a moyst grounde / but not very thynne: for suche one desyareth it. It bringeth furth apples all tymes of the yeare/som fallyng of/som growyng in vnder/and other varyng rype. The fruite groweth only out of suche floures whiche haue in the myddes of them/a thyng lyke vnto a rok streched out. They that wat that/ are couited vnfruitefull. It is also sown in erthen pottes full of holes as the date tre is. Thus fare haue old ancient autores writen of the citron tre. And they that haue sene the Orenge tre & the Lemon tre/thynk truely that they may well be conteyned vnderneath the Citron tre as kyndes of y same. And I wolde that they whiche thynck that y Orenge tre is so far from the Citron tre/ shoulde rede these wordes of Ricander in Alexipharmacis. το μνησιν μνησιν ἐστὶ το μεδικον, τὸ ἰερὰν τῶν: and I reke they will be better content to let the Orenge/whiche som call poma aurantia/be a kynde of Citron.

The vertues of the Citron, Orenge, and Limon tre and of theyr frutes.

The Citrone appel/ as Dioscorides writeth/ dronken in wyne with standeth poyson/ moueth the belly / and maketh the mouth smell well/ if it be wasshed with the iuice or broth of it. It is good for greuyng weomen or such as lust and long for strange meate. It is thought to saue clothes from beyng gnawed of mottes if it be layd amongest clothes.

Out of Galens booke de simplicibus medicamentis.

In the seide of the Citrone/ is a sour and drye qualite that doth excell all other/so that it is in the thyrde degre dry and colde. The shel or barck also dryeth/ but it hath also muche bytyng sharpnes/ therefore it is dry in the second degre / but yet not colde / but temperate or a litle of thys syde. But the fleshe of the Citron is of a grosse iuice/and flegmatik/

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Of the Citron, Orange and Limon tre.

and therfore colde. The fleshe is eaten as the shell is/ but the fede is no meate to be eaten. The leaues haue pour to dry and to make rype.

Out of Gilenes boke de facultatibus alimentorum.



Here are iij. partes of the pome Citron / the firste is the soure thyng that is in the myddes. The second is it / that resembleth the fleshe of the fruite / which goeth about it that is in the myddes. The thyrde parte is the shel or pill / that couereth the hole / and it smelleth well / and is spycy / not onely in smell / but also in taste. By all reason that same is harde of digestion / because it is hard and full of brawne. If any man vse it as a medicine / it doth som thyng help digestion / as all other that haue a sharp byndyng qualite / by the same reason / if it be taken mesurably / it streyngtheneth the stomack. Therefore som vse to breake it in peces and to presse out all the iuice / and to meng the peces with medicines / which are taken in at the mouth / to scour the belly or to purge the hole body.

Out of Simeon Sethi a later Grecian.



The back / pill / or shell of the Citron / is dry and hote in the thyrde degree hole out / but the fleshe is cold and moyste in the first degree. The four gear that is within / is colde and dry in the second degree: but the fede is hole and dry in the second degree. The fleshe is comenly eatē with hony / because it is harde of digestion and maketh grosse flemme. The pill is good in mete to help digestion / agaynst the Melancholik humoz. And all suche thynges as are made thereof / are good agaynst sadnes and good for the stomack / if ye take them in measure. But if they be takē out of measure / they are harde of digestion. They that are condite or syroped in hony / help the stomack and cast out hys moysture.

Out the Arabians.



The shell of Citron is hote in the first degree and dry in the ende of the second. The fleshe is hote in the first degree / and moyst in the same degree. The iuice is colde and dry in the thyrde degree. The fleshe of the Citro puffeth by with wynde / and the leues dryue wynde away. And the flour is more subtile / and the sournes of it is byndyng and holdeth downe rede choler. And the fede and barck of it / are of a resoluyng nature. And the sauoꝝ of it / amende the ayre / and the infection that bredeth the pestilence. The sournes of it scoure away euell fauozed colozes and frekles. And the roote burned / is good for white spottes & morphewes. And the broth there of holden in the mouth / is good for the impostumes of the same. The oyle of Citrones is good for the weiknes of the synewes / and for the palsey. And the oyle is made of the shelles. The four iuice is euell for the synewes. The same iuice is good for the hole trymblyng of the harte / but it is euell for the lunges. The fleshe of it is nought for the stomack. But the leues comfort the stomack. They that would eat Citrones or such lyke fruite to haue the aboue reherfed profites: must nether eat meate immediatly before them / nor shortly after them. The fleshe of the fruite byng them that eate it / into a colik.

Out of Athineus.

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Here was a certayn sherif in Egypt which tooke ij. naughty murtheryng robbers/ & condemned them for theyr murder & robbery to be slayn and poysoned to deeth of serpētes/ and such venemous bestes in the great shew hall/ that all men myght se them dye. But whilsle they were led of the souldyers/ to the place of execution/ ther mete them a womā that had a citron in her hand / the which the murderers begged of her / and she cloue it in two peces / & gaue ech of thē a pece. The whiche they eat very gredely. But when as they came into the appoynted place / and were castē amongst the myddes of the grete hepe of serpentēs and aspidēs / they abode unhurt / and receyued no harm of them / and so came hole and sound furth agayn beyond all mēs lokyng for. When as thys strange thyng chaunced thus / and every man wondered how that thys mater should thus come to passe / and som dyd phantasey one thyng / to be the cause / and som an other / the sherif axed diligently of them that kept y theues / what they had done / or what myghty triacle or preseruatiue they had taken. But they answered that the theues had eaten nothyng sayyng theyr accustomed potage / and sayd further that they eat a citron by the way / whereupon there rose a lyght suspicion that it preserued them from the venemous bestes. Yet because men doutē / whether that were the cause or no / the sherif commanded them to go to the pyson agayne / and the one of theses shoulde eat only hys accustomed potage / & the other shoulde only eate citrones. These thynges done / the theues war brought into the great theatre or shewhall agayn. And there he that eat the citrones / contynued all the day all moste safe and sounde / although certayn of the serpentēs had bitten hym. And the other whiche had but eaten hys comen meate / at the bytyng of one serpent / fell down sterck dede. Althynens a very noble and ancient autor wyrteth that he saw thys hys own self. Wherefore it were wysdome that noble men / and other that are bydden to dynner of theyr enemies or suspected frendes / before they eat any other thyng / should take a pece of sulced citron.

Of Horehounde.



Marrubiu is called in Greke prasion / in Englishe Horehound / in Duche wyssen Audorn / in Frenche du Marrubium. Horehound is a whitishe bushe full of braūches & somthyng roughe. The braūches are iiij. squared. The lese is as byg as a thumb / somthyng roughe full of wyndes / and with a bitter taste. The sede groweth about the stalk / and the floures which are sharpe grow insunder / by certayn equal spaces one from an other. And they are lyke vnto whozles / in compassyng about the stalck / as a whozle goeth rounde about a spyndel. It groweth about howses / old walles / where haue bene howses / & about townes / villages / euen in suche places as the bourishe wormwood groweth. I haue sene it seldum in other places then in suche as are aboue named.

The vertues of Hore hounde.

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Of Horehounde.

Marrubium.

The dye leues of Horehounde sodden in water with the se-
de or the iuice of the grene le-
ues/ is good to be geuen with hony
vnto them that syghg muche and are
shortwynded/ for the cough/ and the
tissik. Horehound with the pouder of
dye Aris or Ireos/ maketh grosse a
tough slemme come out of the lunges.
It is good to be geuen to weomen
after theyr delyuerance / to draw
down the secondes a theyr floures if
they nede. It is good also for them
that haue an harde and lōg trauale/
and for them that are bitten of ser-
pētes: But it hurteth the blader and
kydnes. The leues are good with ho-
ny to scour filthy and styngkyng so-
res. They stape fretynge or etynge so-
res/ and aguayles/ and swage y ache
of the syde. The iuice that is take out
of the brused leues/ a streyned/ a after
ward dyed/ and congeled together
in the sonne/ is good for the same pur-
pose. The same layd to with hony a
wyne/ clereth the sight: And if it be
poured in at the nose/ it scoureth the
iaundes. It is also good to be put in-
to the eare/ ether by it self/ or with rose oyl agaynst the payn of them.



Of the herbe called Medica.



Medica (as Dioscorides writeth) when it commeth
first furth/ both in lese/ and also in stalk/ is very lyke
vnto the felde clauer/ or medow trifoly. But as it
goeth forward in groweth/ so it becommeth nar-
rower. And it hath a stalk lyke a theleued grasse or
clauer/ and it hath coddess wythen in ward agayn
lyke vnto hornes/ wherein is conteyned seede of the
bygnes of a lentill/ and no largelier is Medica de-
scribed of Dioscorides.

Out of Pliny.

Medica is lyke vnto the felde clauer or wilde trifoly in lese and stalk/
and it is full of ioyntes. So muche as the stalk increseth in length/
so muche the lese decreseth in brodenes.
Besyde these markes that Dioscorides and Pliny geue vnto Medica/
I haue marked/ that it hath a yelow flour/ and that the lese/ which standeth
in

Medica.



þ myddes betwoene þ ij. other leues/
þ allwayes grow about it/ hath a lo
ger footstalk or stele the þ rest haue.
And the same lese from the goyng
down of the son vntill it ryse agayn/
foldeth it self inwarde/ & then goeth
abrode agayn when the son ryseth
agayn. After that the yelow flowz
falleth away/ there groweth a litle
thyng to conteyn the seide in/ which
at the first is lyke þ end of a wythen
gymlet/ but after that it begynneth
to be rype/ it draweth him self toge
ther/ and is made lyke a litle water
snayle or a crooked rammys horne/
when it groweth muche crookedly
inwarde/ & the end of it stādeth not
out of order. Som of the coddess or
seide vesselles are smouth/ and som
are roughe & pricky. The greatest
Medica comenly hath smouth cod
des/ and þ lesse roughe. The seide is
somthyng lyke in figure and color
vnto fenegreke. Thys herbe gro
weth nowhere in Englād that euer
I coulde se/ sayng only in gardin.
But I haue sene it growyng wyld
in Germany within an half myle of

Wormes in the hygh way towarde Spyer. It is called of them of Alphrica
as Auicēna sayeth in the chapter of Cot/ Alfafasat: and som wyte that it is
named in Spanishe Alfalfa. I haue found no name as yet in Englād for it:
but it may be called horned clauer or medic fother.]

Exh.

The vertues of Medica out of Dioscorides.

The seide of Medica/ is good to be menged with spyced salt to make
it haue a pleasant taste. The same grene is good to cool it that ne
deth coolyng. They that are grassers/ vse the hole herbe in the
stede of grasse and hay.

The vertues of Medica out of Pliny.

The ground where in medic fother shall be sowē in/ must be dell
uered frō stones/ & made clene/ & the turned by in þ latter end
of þ last haruest. But it must be sowē in May/ & þ very thyeck
to hold out wedes: when it is an inche long/ it must be dili
gētly wedeth w handes & not w a weding yron. The time of
mowyn of it is when it bequeth to floure/ and as oft as it
floureth again/ & þ chāseth six tymes in a yere/ or at þ lest iij. tymes: ye must
I iij not

Of the Medic.

not suffer it to wax rype untill it bryng furth seide. For it is good fother bre-
till it be iij. yere olde. The beastes must not be suffered to eate so muche as
they wil of it/ lest we be compelled to put back the blood agayn. It is best
when it is grene: when it withered and dreye/ it waxeth full of stickes/ and
is turned in to dust.

Palladius of Medic fother.



Medic fother muste be sown in April in beddes or ryges/ the
whiche as we haue sayd/ thou hast prepared before. And whē
as it is ones sown/ it will abyde x. yere/ so that it may be cut
iiij. or vi. tymes in the yere. It dongeth the ground well. Also
it bryngeth the lene beastes into fleshe/ and it helpeth the
sick beastes. A romishe acre of it/ that is ccl. foote bredth/ &
c. xx. foot of length/ will serue iij. hoxses for an hole yere. And euery ij. vnces
and an half of the seide/ will be inough to saw fyue fote in bredth/ and tē foot
in leingth. But as sown as the seide is casten in to the grounde/ ye must take
it with a wodden rake/ or harrow/ that it may be well couered with erth/
or elles the seide will burn away with the hete of the son. And beware that
ye touch not the medic with any pron after that it is sown. Let the first
haruest be som thyng late/ that the Medic may bryng furth som seide. After
warde/ as for other haruestes or cuttyng down of it/ let them be as sown as
ye will. Let it be geuen vnto beastes/ but at the first tyme more scarsely/ for
it puffeth vp with wynde/ the bestes/ and ingendreth muche blood. After
thow hast mowen it/ water the medik that is yet in the grounde oft tymes/
and after a fewe dayes when it begynneth to spryng vp agayn/ weede out all
other herbes/ so shalt thou mow it six tymes in the yere/ and it shall be able
to continew for the space of x. yeres.

Columella of horned clauer.



Medic fother is a very excellent herbe/ because when it is ones
sown/ it dureth for the space of x. yeres/ and because after that
it is sown/ it may be well mowen iiij. tymes euery yere/ and
in som yere six tymes/ because it fattereth the grownde/ and be-
cause it fattereth euery lene beaste/ and heleth euery sick beaste/
because euery romish ingerum or acre of it/ is sufficient for iij. hoxses/ to gyue
them meat inough for one yere. It must be sown as herafter I shall teache
you. Plowe the place where in ye intend to sow Medic fother the next
spryng/ about the first day of Octobre that goeth before/ and let the ground
rott al wynter/ & then about the first day of February/ plow it well agayn/
and cast out all the stones and bryke the clottes. Afterwarde in the moneth
of Marche/ plow it the thyrde tyme and bryke the clottes and make the
grownd playn. When thou hast plowed the grownde/ make beddes as the
maner is in a gardine: of the whiche euery one shall be in bredth x. foote/
and in lengthe v. foote/ that ye may go in patthes to water the herbes/ and
that of eche syde the weders may haue a way to come to weede the herbes.
And afterwarde cast old donge vpon the grownde/ and in the last end of
moneth of Aprill sow so muche that euery xiiij. drammes and a scruple may
occupy x. foote in length/ and v. foote in bredth. When thou hast done so/ let
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the fede be couered by rakyng/ with wodde rakes/ for that is very fit for it. For if it be not couered/ it will be sowne burned with the son. After that he is sowne/ the place ought not to be touched with yron. And as I haue sayd/ it must be roked with wodden rakes/ & wedded agayn/ lest any other kynde of herbe destroye the yong tēdre medic soother. At the first tyme of cuttyng of it/ ye must tary somthyng longer/ then ye shall nede to do at any cuttyng afterwarde/ that it is to wet/ vntill that it hath brought furth som fede. Afterwarde ye may cut it down as yong as ye wil/ and gyue it to your beastes. But at the begynnyng/ ye must geue it scarsely/ vntill they be aquaynted with it/ lest the newnes of the sother do hurt. It puffeth by the cattel & filleth them with blood. When thou hast cut it doune/ water it that standeth in the grounde oft tymes. When it becometh to spryng by agayn/ weede out aliother herbes fro it. If it be trymmed thus/ it may wel be cut down six tymes in the yere/ and it will increas for the space of ten yeres. And thus far haue I wryten to you the myndes and experiece of old autores that they haue had of medic sother or horned clauer. Now it that I haue proued my selfe/ I will not refuse to shew vnto you my countremen. I haue sowne iij. kyndes of medic sother/ the lesse kynde/ & grete smoth kynde/ and the great rough kinde. The lest kind do I allow lesse of all other/ because the leues and stalkes are al very litle/ and therfore in fedyng of cattel can do but litle seruice. The grete smoth kynde as I haue proued/ groweth into a meruelus grete bulhe. As for the grete roughe kynde/ how grete it will be/ I haue not as yet proued/ for I neuer sowed it before thys summer. But by all tokens that I can se as yet/ it is lyke to be as good and grete as & grete smoth kynde. If ye haue but a bulhe or ij. of medic/ and would sayn haue much fede rype before the comyng of wynter/ because the medic bulhe is very thyeck/ and therefore hath many flowres and sed vesselles that the son can not come to/ it is best to take the moste parte of euery bulhe at the ioynt of the herbe/ about the tyme that the floure is redy to come furth/ and somtyme when the flour is commed furth/ & then ye must set the braunches that ye haue plucked of/ depe in the grounde/ and water them twyle on the day/ and they shall byng furth fede as well as them that are sowne/ and muche better then they that are ouershaddowed in the bulhe/ and want the help of the son. Thys haue I proued diuerse tymes/ wherefore I dar be bolde to wryte it.

Of Mint.



Dioscorides describeth not Mint/ and maketh but of one kynde of gardin mint. Wherefore when as there are diuerse kyndes of myntes growyng now only in gardines/ it is very harde to know which of them is it of whiche Dioscorides wryteth. Fuchsius maketh four kyndes of gardin mintes/ and the he describeth diligently. And Matthiolus maketh iij. kyndes of myntes/ but he describeth them very lyghtly and barely. And although he disprays the multitude or diuersite of the kyndes/ semyng thereby to meane/ that there is but one ryght kynde/ yet nether in hys descriptiones/ nor in his figures he telleth which is the ryght kynde that Dioscorides describeth/ whome he taketh in hand to expound

Mentha sativa.



Mentha sativa altera.



Mentha hortensis tertia.



Mentha hortensis quarta.



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erpound. The first kynd of Fuchsius's garden myntes hath a four squared stalk from the roote a litle violet redishe with som hoynes. The lefe is almost round/ indented about lyke a saw/ soft and well smelling. It hath litle cremisin floures in the knoppes that go about the ioyntes after the manner of whorles. Hys second kynde is lyke the former in al thynges/ sayng y it hath in y top of the stalkes a purplishe flour after the fallsho of a corn eare. The thyrde kynde hath a longer lefe and sharper/ and purple floures in the toppes of the stalkes/ of the figure of eares of corne. His fourth hath also longer leues/ and knoppes about the ioyntes where in are purplishe floures as y first hath. He calleth the first minte in Duche deymment oz krausz deiment. The second he calleth kraus ballum. He sayeth that y thyrde is called in Duche balsammuntz/ and vnserfrawen muntz oz spitzmuntz/ and of the herbaries Mentha Sarracenicā oz Romana. He calleth the fourth/ hertz kraut oz ballam kraut. Matthiolus describeth hys thre garden myntes thus: One hath shorte and curled leues/ an other hath a rede stalk and a rede flour/ and an other hath a whitthishe flour. Now will I shew yow my mynde/ whych of all these mintes semeth vnto me to be it that Dioscorides wyrteth of. The two first kyndes that Fuchsius setteth furth/ can not be the garden mynte that Dioscorides wyrteth of/ because they haue both rounde leues. For Dioscorides in the description of fueleued grasle/ wyrteth that it hath leues lyke vnto mint. But the cinkfoly oz fueleued grasle hath not rounde leues/ but long and indented. Therfore nether of them can be it that Dioscorides wyrteth of. But seying that hys thyrde mynte hath long sharpe indented leues lyke vnto the leues of cinkfoly/ I reken it to be the ryght garden mint. As for the figures of Matthiolus I must nedes confesse that they are fayre/ and so lyke one to an other that a man cā not well discern the one from the other. But yet I reken that the second agreeth better then the former with the leues of Cinkfoly. Thys herbe is called with vs garden mynte/ and as far as I remembre/ it is called spere mynte/ and if it be not named so/ it may well be called so of the sharpnes of the lefe that it hath.

The vertues of garden mynt.



Mint hath a warming/ hyndyng and a drying poure. It will stopp blood/ if the iuice of it be dronken with vinegre. It killeth round wormes in the belly. It prouoketh man to the generation of chylder. Thre braunches taken with the iuice of sour pomgranat/ stancheth the hithcok/ the choler and perbrekynge. Mynte layde to the heade/ swageth the ache therof. It swageth the brestes oz pappes/ if they be stretched furth oz swelled with plenty of mylke. It is good to be layde to the bytynges of dogges with salt. It dryueth away matery rottenfilth/ if it be layd to with perched barley mele: With mede it is good for the payn in the eare. It smoteth y roughnes of the tong/ if it be rubbed therewith. It will not suffer mylke to erid and to be made chese if the leues be put into be the mylke that a man drynketh. To be short/ it is good for y stomach/ and hath a singulare pleasantnes in saues.

Out of the later writers.

The

Of the Medic.



The smell of mynt streynghteneth the brayne/ and kepeth the mencory and increaseth it. Mint if it be put into milk/ will not let it crud. It is good for the isshue of blood. It is good for the colik with the graynes of a pomgranat. It hath a singulare vertu agaynst the bytyng of a mad dog. Serapio writeth that mint preserueth chese from rottyng/ or corruption. But the iuice is best for that purpose. Macer sayeth that if mynt be layde vnto a wo- mans breste/ that it will dissolue and breke insunder cruddery mylk.

Out of Symeon Sethi.



Mint is hote in the thyrde degre/ and dry in the second/ and it hath som moystenes more then the wilde mynte/ it is good for a cold liuer/ and it streynghteneth the stomack/ and helpeth digestion. It stacheth perbrekyng and the hitch cough. It helpeth the gnawynge of the stomack and stirreth vp an appetite/ and dryueth wynde away. It killeth wormes/ and specially the both of the wilde mynt. It stirreth vp the lust of the body/ and openeth the stoppyng of the milt and liuer. But ye must not eat your fill of it/ for it fineth the blood/ and maketh it waish/ and turneth it lyghtly into yelow choler/ and also because it is of subtyll or fyne partes/ it dryueth abroad and wasted it way. But it leueth still that is grosse and melancholishe. Therefore they that are hurt with yelow gall/ must forbere from mynt. Bruise it with salt and it is an holsum remedy agaynst the bytyng of a mad dog. When it is withered and made in pouder/ and taken after mete/ it helpeth digestion and healeth them that are diseased with the milt. It is also good for woemen that haue an harde labor/ when it is drunken with wyne. The sede of it scoured the belly/ but it hurteth the lunges.

Of the wild mynte called mentastrum.



Mentastrum called in Greke hediosmos agrios hath a rougher lese/ & in all poyntes greater then Silymbriū hath/ and is of a more greuous sauor. Dioscorides describeth hys wilde mynte no largelier then yel- se. Wherefore when as there are diuerse kyndes of wilde mynte/ it shall be hard to knowe whiche of the Dioscorides meaneth of. But by the short description of Dioscorides we are taught that that kynde whiche hath the greate and roughe lese/ and not any that hath any small or smothe lese is mentastrum Silymbriū/ which is a kynd of wild baū mynte/ hath a broder lese then mint hath/ and wilde mynt hath a greater lese then Silymbrium hath/ wherefore after the mynde of Dioscorides who teacheth it that I haue sayde/ the wilde mynte must nedes haue a great lese. This wilde mynte groweth in moyst groundes by watersydes/ with a rough lese and hory/ with certayn toppes in the ouermost parte of the stalkes/ lyke vnto short eares of corn: the herbe looketh muche more whytishe then the gardin mynt doth/ and it hath a verie strong sauor. The horse mynt semeth also to be a kynde of mentastrum: how be it I take it not for the right kynde of Dioscorides.

Mentha sylvestris, uel mentastrum.

The vertues of wilde mynte.



The wilde mynte as Dioscorides sayeth is not so muche desired to be vsed of holemen as the garden mint is/ greuous because it hath a more sauor. Galene wytyng of thys herbe vnder yname of calamint/ in y proper chapter of mint: wytyeth y thys mint is not so moyst as the garden mint is/ but that it is hotter and dryer/ & therefore that it is not fit for diuerse purposes that y other mint is fit for. Pliny wytyeth thus of y wilde mynte/ Mentastrum is a wild mint/ differing in y kynde of leues/ for they haue y figur of Basil/ & y color of penny ryall. wherfore som calle it wilde penny ryall. It was found in the tyme of Pöpetus y greate/ y y lepre called Elephantiasis is healed with these chewed and layd on/ by y experience or pöse of a certain man y for shame couered hys face therewith. The same are layd to and are drunken against y styngyng of scorpiones with salt/ oyle/ and vine

gre/ and agaynst scolopendres & styngynges of serpentis in the quantite of ij. drammes in ij. cyates of wyne. The leues are keyed in pouder agaynst all poysones. If they be strowed vpo the grounde and smooke made of the/ they will dryue away scorpiones &c. Pliny semeth to take for hys mentastrum an other then Dioscorides doth/ whille he geueth the proportion of the leues of basil vnto it/ and colour of penny ryall/ whiche thynges agre not with the description of mentastrum in Dioscorides. It appereth that the comen reede fish mynt y groweth about watersydes with whorlish circles goyng about the stalck/ is the mentastrum that Pliny wytyeth of. But as I haue sayd afore/ it that Dioscorides setteth out/ hath long thynges lyke eares of corn/ in the toppes of the stalkes/ and long roughe leues and hory/ nether lyke in figur to Basil/ nor in color to penny ryall/ except I be farr deceyued.

Of Mercury.



Mercurialis is named in Greke ermou bataniö/ and linozostis/ in Englishe Mercury/ in Duche rekraut/ or bingelkraut/ in frenche mercurall. Mercury (sayeth Dioscorides) hath the leues of Basil/ but lesse/ & much like vnto Parietori or Billeteri of y wall/ with litle branches compassed about with a dubble knot of wyntes or knees. The sede of the semall is very plétuous/ and resemblyeth

Of Mercury.

Mercurialis femina.



Mercurialis mas.



bleth/as it were a cluster of grapes. But the fruite and seede of the male cometh furth betwen the stalck and the leues/round/ litle/a lyke vnto ij. stones ioyned together. The bushe is a shā hyghe or hygher. By thys Descriptio it is playn that our forfathers haue erred in Englād/ which hitherto in the moſte parte of all Englād/ haue vsed an other herbe in the stede of the ryght Mercury. Therfore as many as had leuer ete whete/then a cornes/let them vſe nomore theyr old Mercury/ but thys Mercury which Dioscorides Describeth. The ryght Mercury groweth comen in the feldeſ and wynyardes of Germany without any ſettyng or ſowynge. And it beginneth now to be knowne in London/ and in Gentle mennis places not far from London. I neuer ſaw it grow more plentiuouſly in all my lyfe then about Wormes in Germany.

The vertues of Mercury.



Both the Mercuries are eaten in ſallettes or mouſes to louſe the belly. If ye dlynke the water that Mercury is ſodden in/ it draweth choler and water. It is perfitly knowe as Dioscorides writeth/ that the male herbe dronken/ maketh men childer/ & the female maketh females/ if they be ſtaken after the ſcourynge or purgynge/ and be layd to the places conuenient.

Out

Out of Pliny.



It is wonderfull that is tolde of both þ mercuries/that is/þ the male maketh mē chylde/ & þ femal weomen chylde. They say þ thys cometh so then to passe/ if by and by after the conceptio/ the iuice be dzonke in maluafei/ or if the leues be sodden & eatē wih oyl and salt/ or if they be eaten raw with vinegre.

Of the Medler tr.



Mespilus is named in greke Mespile/ in Englishe a Medler tre or an open arls tre/ in Duche/ ein nesselbaum/ in frēche mesplier. The mespil or medler tre/ is full of prickes with a lese lyke vnto oriacantha. It hath a plesant fruite/ but small/ whiche hath iij. stones in it/ toheresore som haue called it iij. stones. It is long in warpyng rype/ & in eatyng it byndeth. It is plesant to the stomack/ & stoppeth the belly. There is an other kynde of medler which groweth in Italy/ called of som Setaniū/ & of other epimelis. The tre hath leues lyke an apple tre/ but lesse. It bereth a round apple/ good to be eaten with a larger navel. The fruite byndeth and is long in ryping. The first kinde of mespilus groweth not in England nor Germany that euer I could se/ but Mattheolus sayeth that it groweth about Naples in Italy and that it is called in Italian Azarolus. The second kinde is that is comen in Itali/ Germany and England/ and is comenly called a medler.

The vertues of the Medler.



Dioscorides besyde that which I haue reherfed of the properties of medler before/ writeth also þ if medlers be condited/ they are good in sommer agaynst the hote fluxes of the belly.

Out of Galene.



Medlers/ sorbapples/ or seruices are byndyng and astringēt/ but medlers are more astringent/ thē the sorb apple is. Therefore the eatyng of medlers is good for thē þ haue flux. But ye must not eat to much of the se byndyng frutes/ for if ye do/ they will stopp your liuer and milt.

Of the herbe called Meon or Mew.



Con whiche they call athamāticū groweth plētuously in Macedonia & in Spayn. It is lyke vnto dill in þ stalk & lese/ but it is thicker then dill. It groweth vnto the hyght almoste of ij. cubites. The rootes are lōg/ small/ well smellyng/ and so hote þ they hete þ tong. And they are scattered abroad som ryght/ & som a wry. Thus far hath Dioscorides wryten of the description of Mew.

The description of Mew out of Pliny.

Mew is not so wē in Itali/ but of Physicionēs/ & þ but of a few. There are ij. kyndes of it. They call þ excellēt athamāticū/ som because it

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Of the herbe called Meon or Mew.

was found of Athamāte & other because y^e moſte excellēt is founde in Athama-
nia. It hath leues lyke anise (here ſhoulde we rede dill y^e is anethū & not ani-
ſum) & a ſtalck ſomtyme ii. cubites hygh. It hath many & lōge & black rootes
& ſom of thē very depe. The athamātik is not ſo rede as y^e other is. Hether to
Pliny. I would gladly coſet to thē y^e holde y^e y^e herbe wich is called of the a-
pothecaries feniculū tortuoſum/ of y^e North Engliſhe mē ſpiknel/ of the Du-
che mē berwurtz/ is y^e true mew/ if y^e I could fynd any ſpiknel or berwurtz
y^e were of ii. cubites hygh. But althoughe I haue ſene it many tymes/ yet I
neuer coulde ſe it one cubit hyghe/ wherefore ether this can not be the mew
athamāticō Dioſcorides/ or Englād & Germany will not beare ſo lōg mew
as Macedonia & Spayn doth. But though it be not Mew Athamāticū/ it
may well be the other kynde/ where of Pliny maketh mention. The freres y^e
wrote of late yeres cōmētaries vpo Mefue/ ſay y^e they found in Itali in y^e mou-
taynes of Aurlia y^e ryght Mew/ & y^e y^e herbe is called of y^e inhabitātes there
about not Mew but ſpicula: where of we haue belyke our Engliſhe name
ſpiknell. Thy ſayalſo y^e they found it in Spayn/ & it is called there Siſtra &
not Mew. The ſame alege Symō Laniensis & y^e pādectari/ to proue y^e ſiſtra
is Mew. Matthiolus one of the cōygeſt herbaries y^e writeth at thys tyme/
writeth y^e alltough he were of late of an other iudgemēt/ y^e now he iudgeth y^e
thys herbe whole figure I ſet out/ is y^e ryght Mew in Dioſcorides. But be-
ſyde hys comē maner he gyueth it nether any Italiane name nor any name
of y^e apothecaries or herbaries. Amatus Luſitanus taketh feniculū tortuo-
ſum alſo to be Mew/ but he ſaieth/ y^e herbe which is called of y^e Duch roote
pedletz of Anwerp/ berewurtz/ is not the true Mew. where at I meruel
much/ ſeyng y^e moſt parte of all y^e pothecaries of all Germany both in y^e ouer
& alſo Netherlande/ know y^e right Mew well & call it Mew) y^e y^e root cremer
of Anwerpe ſhewed hym an herbe y^e was called berewurtz/ & was not yet y^e
ryght Mew. Belyke he was ſom deceptfull felow which ſolde falſe ware/
or elles Amatus iudgeth not well of berewurt/ or elles there are two kindes
of berwurtz in Germany. Alle y^e herbaries & apothecaries of Germany call
they berewurtz feniculū tortuoſum althoughe/ ſom of thē take berwurt for
Dauco/ & other for tozilio. The berewurtz y^e Fuchſius & Tragus do ſet furth
are not lyke y^e bere wurtze y^e I looked vpo/ whē as I wrote thys chapter of
mew. For y^e rootes of they berewurtz as they both deſcribe thē/ & paynt thē
haue no wythē rootes/ as y^e berwurt had y^e I looked vpo. For althoughe it
had one greater root goyng right down/ ſo there grew out aboue y^e ſtreight
roote certayn litle rootes writhe in / one w^{ch} in an other lyke ſwoynes tayles.
Wherefore ether they root gottherers digged not they rootes hole out of
groude/ or elles they berwurtz is not it y^e I haue ſene in other places of Ger-
many & Englād. But y^e herbe y^e Amatus Luſitanus deſcribeth/ in y^e roote is
not only much vnlike vnto it y^e Matthiolus paynteth/ but to all other y^e euer
I coulde ſe ether in Englād or Germany for where as the Mew of Mat-
thiolus/ y^e berwurtz of Germany & y^e ſpiknel of Englād (which peraduenture was
ones called Spiknard) haue a rough thyng like to the Iudiſh Spiknarde
in the hygheſt parte of the root/ out of whiche the ſtalke cometh firſt furth:
the mew of Amatus hath y^e ſame rough tuht lyke Spiknarde/ as he writeth
in infima parte, in the loweſt parte of the roote/ wich thyng if it be ſo/ nether
Matthiolus nor I know the ryght mew: And I for my parte I woulde
gyue place vnto hym in the knowledge of Mew if he could ſhew me ſuche
markes & tokens in hys Mew as he ſheweth to be in his feniculo tortuoſo.

In the meane tyme I partly suspect that he tooke the ouer parte of the herbe/ for the nether/ and so was deceyued/ or elles I am far deceyued. which if I shall here after perceyue/ I will be contēt to grant to call agayn/ and to vntech my erroz/ whiche I haue taught before. Feniculum tortuosum whiche I take at the leste to be a kynd of Mev/ if it be not Athamaticum/ groweth in the bisshopyk of Durrham in wild mores/ called felles/ and viij. myles aboue Bon/ in Germany in a countre called caltland/ and a litle from þe town of Bathe in hyghe Germany. I saw it also ones in Antwerp/ in Apothecaries garden/ but the pothetari named Petrus de virulis/ called it pseudanū/ not without a greate erroz. I saw it also growyng in New castel in a garden in greate plenty/ where as I learned that it was called spicnell. And the root of this spicknell/ when it is dyed/ is Spongius and not hard compact together as Aris is.

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The vertues of Mev.

The rootes of Mev made hote in water/ or brokē with out sechynge/ are good for the stoppyng of the kydnes and bladder. They dryue away the wyndenes of the stomack. The rootes taken with a syrop made wpyth hony/ are good for the gnawynge of the mother/ for the ache of the ioyntes/ and for the flowynge of humores down to the breste/ they byng down to weomen theyr sicknes/ if they sit in the water/ wherein the rootes are sodde. If they be layde vnto al þe lowest part of þe belly of a yong childe/ they will make hym put furth water. If ye drynk to muche of this herbe/ it will make your head ach. The rote is hote in taste/ somthyng bitter and of a spicie sauor. Mev as Galene wyteth is hote in þe thyrde degre and dry in þe second. We haue now hearde how good þe Mev is for diuerse diseases of þe mouth. Now herken what the Ducher wyte of theyr bere wurtz. Tragus sayeth thus: Our rooteremers call it in Ducher berwurtz/ ether because it is full of heyr/ or elles because it is supposed that the ache of the mother (which is also called bermoter) is stilled thereby/ if weomen hold it in theyr mouth. Fuchsius wyteth also these wordes: It is called in Ducher berwurtz for þe heired rotes sake/ or elles because it healeth the diseases of þe mother/ which is also called bermuder. These thynges cōpared together/ will geue occasion to a wise man to cōclude/ that berwurtz of the Germanes should rather be Mev in Dioscorides then ether Daucus or Cordylion.

Of Mile or Millet.

Milium is named in Greke kegchros & piston/ in Ducher hirtz/ in Frenche du Millet: it may be called in Englishe mile or millet. The leues of millet when they come first out of the ground/ are lyke the leues of a rede/ and they are very rough. Millet hath a lōg stalck where in at þe leste are viij. knottes or ioyntes. The top of it is lyke vnto the top of a rede/ and ther in are litle rounde sedes/ which haue no coueryng without/ sayng a thin husk.

The vertues of Millet.

Millet in brede norisheth lesse then other cornes do/ and in pottage it stoppeth the belly/ and dryueth furth water. Millet is good to be parched or put in to a fryng panne/ and there to be well heated/ and to be put

Of Myle or Millet.

Milium.



be put in a bag/and to be layde to suche places as are vexed wth gnawings or achyng.

Out of Galene de facultatibus alimentorum.

The brede that is made of millet and panik/ is colde & hard of digestion. It is playn that the brede is dry and bryttle/ and hath in it nether clammynges nor fatnes. Therefore it stoppeth a waterishe belly. Millet is in all poyntes better then panik is.

Out of Galen de simplicibus.

Millet cooleth in y^e first degre & dryeth in the thyrde slowly or much in the secod. It hath also a lytle finenes. Then whille it hath thys cōplexiō/ whē it is takē as a meate/ it nourishe lesse of all other kyndes of korn. But it dryeth by also the belly. But if it be layde wth out in bagges/ it is a good fōmēt for all such partes as require to be dried wthout bityng. And if it be layd to after the maner of an emplaster/ it can well

dry by. But it is very brytle or brykle/ and therefore it is harde to make an emplaster of it.

Out of the 14. booke of Constantinus Cesar de agricultura or of husbandri.



Artel doues war fat with the eatyng of millet and panik/ & also wth large drynk. They loue also to haue whete & clene water. But quales are made fat with whete/ millet & clere water/ & darnell. For as much as quales eatyng helleboz/ or nesyng powder/ are not safely inough takē in meate: because the eatyng of thē/ bryngeth both a cramplishe strechyng out of y^e sinewes/ & also the dulsines of the heade/ for thys cause it is mete to seth millet wth thē. But if any mā/ by the eatyng of quales/ fall into these forenamed grefes/ if he drynk the broth of Millet in tyme/ it will help hym. And for the same purpose serue y^e berries of the myrtel tre. For these are good takē euē in or after dedly mulhūmes or todstooles. But Millet hath a certayn other naturall property/ that is/ he that eateth of brede made of millet: shall neuer cōm in to any danger of popson. Thus far Constantinus Cesar. Millet is much the bled at thys tyme in Itali to crā capones wth all/ & to make fat byrdes wth it. The germanes husk millet & eat it wth milk/ after which fashon when it is taken as Symeon Sethi saith/ it is much moyster and eseyer of digestion.

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Certayn Millet hath ben brought into Italy / within these
x. yerres / which hath a black & a greate corne / lyke a rede in the
stalk. It groweth by into the hight of seven foot with a great
stele or stalk / they call it (as my text hath) lobas. It byngeth
most fruite furth of all other kyndes of corne. Pliny semeth to
take culmus here / not for calamo as it is comenly take / but for
the branchie and thick & busshy thyng þ groweth in millet & in redeg / where-
fore I reken that we should not rede in Pliny lobas / which signifieth cod-
des or shales where in the sedes of pulles grow / but phobas which betoken
the top or thyng lyke a busshy lock of heare / þ groweth in þ toppes of redeg /
and such lyke water herbes. Matthiolus sayeth that thys herbe is called in
Italian Melica or Melega / & in other partes Sorgo / & in Hetruria Saggi-
na. Som pore men vse to grynde thys corne & to make bryde of it. Other vse
to fede hennes & doves with it / other vse & vertue of it: I know none. Som
call it in Germany Turkisch corn / & som call it in Englād wheate of Turkey /
howe be it there is an other kynde of corne / which is the ryght Turkishe
wheate / wherefore it were better to cal it in Englishe / Indishe millet or ried
myllet / then to geue it the for sayd name. I haue sene it growyng in Italy in
the feldeg / but only in gardines in England.

Of the Mulberry tre.

Morus.



Morus is named in Gre-
ke Moria / in Englishe a
Mulberry tre / in Duche
ein Maulberbaum / in
frenche yng Meurier /
of the apothecaries morus celsi. The
Mulberry tre hath leues almoste
roude / sayyng þ they are a lytle sharp
at þ ende / they are indented about þ
edges after the maner of mynte. It
hath hozy floures / & a fruite in propor-
tion / som thyng long in color / whē it
cometh first furth whyte / in cōtinuā-
ce of tyme it wareth rede / and after
warde whē it is full ripe / it is black.

The vertues of the Mulberry tre.



The fruite of þ Mulberry tre
louseth þ belly & is good for þ
stomack / but it is easeli cor-
rupt or rotten. The iuice of Mulber-
ries doth the same. If it be soddē in a
brassen vessel / & set out in the son / it is
made more byndyng / & it is good for
the flowyng of humores / for eatyng
sores / and for the inflammation of
the kirkelles vnder the chin / with a
lytle honny. But hys streyngthe in
creaseth / if ye put vnto hym alum de pluma / galles / saffron / myr / the sede of



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Of the Mulberry tre.

Tamarisk/Ireos or Aris/and Frankincense. The vnripe berries of thys tre are good to be dyed and brused/ and put into mete in the stede of sumach berries/ for them that haue the sir. The barke of the roote of thys tre sodden in water/louseth the belly. It dryueth brode woymes out of the belly. It is also good for them that haue dronken the popson called aconitum pardalianches or libardis bayn. The leues are good to lay to a burnyng. The iuice of the leues taken in the quantite of a cyat/ is a good remedy agaynst the bytyng of the felde spyder. It is good to walsh the achyng teth with the broth of the bark and leues hote/ to dryue the payn away. The roote beyng cut/nicked/ or scotched/ about the last end of heruest/ ye must make a furrow round about it/ and it will put furth a iuice whiche ye may fynde in the next day after/clumpered or growe together. Thys iuice is exceeding good for the tuthach/ it scattereth and dryueth away swellng lumps and purgeth the belly.

Out of Auicenna.

The leues of the mulberry tre/ are a sulleran medicine for the squinsey or squinancy/ and agaynst stranglyng. The bark is a triacle agaynst the popson of henbayn.

Out of Galene de facultatibus alimentorum.

The rypp fruite of the mulberry/ doutles softeneth the belly. But the vnrypp fruite/ after that it is dyed/ is a very byndyng medicine/ wherefore it is good for the bloody sir or for any other sir. But it must be brayed & cast into your meat/ as ye do with som ach/ or if a man will/ he may drynk it with wyne & water. But that the iuice of the rypp mulberries is a good mouth medicine / by reason of byndyng that it hath/ euery man knoweth. But vnrypp mulberries besyde theyr tartnes/ they haue also a sournes. Beas the hole tre in all hys partes/ hath a mixt or manged pour/ made of a stoppyng and a purgyng qualite. But in the bark of the roote/ by purgyng vertue excelleth with a certayn bitternes/ in so much that it can kill a brode worm. In other partes the byndyng or stoppyng qualite passeth the other qualites. There is in the leues and buddes a certayn mean complexion or temperature.

Of Tamarisk.



Marica otherwise called Tamaric & in Greke Myrica/ is called of the apothecaries/ and comen herbaries Tamariscus/ of the Duche Tamarischen holtz. It may be named in Englishe Tamarisk/ because as we want the bushe/ so also we haue no name for it in England. Myrica is of ii. kyndes as Dioscorides writeth. The former kynde groweth about slow/ & standyng waters/ and byngeth furth a fruite lyke a floure/ with a mossy growyng together. Egypt and Syria byng furth an other gentler the thys/ in other poyntes lyke by wilde. It byngeth furth a fruite next vnto a gall / vnequally byndyng in taste. whiche we vse conueniently in the stede of galles in the diseases of the eyes and

Myrica.



and mouth. These ii. kyndes are not largelier described of Dioscorides. The second kynde I grant that I neuer saw/and that is no meruel/ seeing that Dioscorides appoynteth Syria and Egypt for hys naturall places/ where as I haue neuer bene. But as touching the former kynde I haue sene it in diuerse landes in Italy in an yland betwene Francolino & Venish in Germany in diuerse places about ʒ Ren not far from Strasburg/ and in Rhetia in a stony place some tyme of yeare vled to be ouer flowen wth the Rhene. Theophrast writeth that Myrica hath a fleshy or fat or thick lefe. And Pliny writyng of leues of plantes in generall/ sayeth that ʒ Cypress tre and the Tamarisk haue carnose or fleshy leues. Which sayng is not so to be vnderstād that euery lefe by it self were fat or fleshy: but that they are called fat/ because they grow so thych together vpon the twygges. The leues of the Tamarisk are lyke the leues of Samin or of the Cypress tre/ but they are som thyng lesse. And both Dioscorides and Pliny write

that Erica whiche is called in the North parte of England hather or tyng/ and in the South countre hethe/ is lyke vnto Tamarisk. Wherefore seyng that there is no liknes at all betwene the rountre or quikbem/ & the hethe or hather/ they haue ben far deceyued in London/ which haue comenly vled the barkes of quickbeme for Tamariske as here after I intend to declare more at large. The Tamarisk bushe ʒ groweth in Germany is about viij. foot long/ and comenly it is not greater then a mans thum. The color of the bark in the vttermost parte of all is gray/ and next vnto that/ it is rede/ but next vnto the wod it is yelow/ as the wod is whyle it is grene. The wod is very holow and hath very great pith/ or hart/ somthyng in that poynte lyke vnto cloder/ or bourtre: The taste of the bark is very byndyng/ as the leues are also.

The vertues of Tamarisk.



The fruite of Tamarisk which is lyke a gall/ is vnequally byndyng in taste/ and we may vse it in the stede of galles/ both for the diseases of the eyes/ and mouth. It is good to be geuen vnto them in drynk that spit blood/ and to them that haue the flux/ and to weome that are vexed with theyr vnrmeasurable isshe. It is also good agaynst the iaundes/ and the bytyng of the feld spyder. The same

Of the Tamarisk.

same layd to/after þe maner of an emplaster/ swageth swellynge: the barkk is good for the same purpose. The broth of the leues dronken with wyne/ wasteth by the milt and is good to washe the teth with all/ for the tuth ach. And it is good for weomen that haue a louse or weike mother which is oft in ieperdi of fallyng. It is good for them that haue þe lousey euil. The asshes also of the wode layd to in a conuenient place/ stopp also the outragius flowing of the mother. Som make drynkyng cuppes of the body of thys tre/ that the drynk dronken out of them/ may be the holsummer for the milt.

Out of Galene.



Amarisk hath a scouryng and a cuttyng propertie / without any manifest dryng. It hath also soyn byndyng/ by reason of whiche poures and qualitees/ the lenes or rootes or byppermost branches or twigges sodden with wyne or vinegre / are good for the hardnes of the milt. It healeth also the tuthach: but the fruite and the barkk bynde muche. Tamarisk hath much finesse in the partes/ and is able to scour away/ which vertue the gall hath not. Then when as the quikbeme tre/ which is a kynde of sorbus / hath only a byndyng pour and no finesse of partes/ nor pour to scour away nor to cut/ but only a byndyng or stoppyng pour. I counsell that from hencefurth the physicioness of Englad/ and namely of London/ that they vse no more the barkes of quikbeme/ for the barkes of Tamarisk: that they vse the barkes of the rootes of heth in the stede of Tamarisk rather then the barkes of quikbeme.

Out of the Arabians.



The asshes of Tamarisk dry by all sores and properly them that sprynge of burnyng. Alchanzius an Arabian sayeth these wordes of Tamarisk. Tamarisk is good for colde apostemes/ if they be perfumed therewith. A certayn saythfull man told me/ that there was a certayn woman/ in whome appeared a lepre/ and the broth of the rootes of Tamarisk was geuen vnto her oft with rasines/ and she was healed of her lepre. And I proued thys my self in an other woman: and I say that the case chanced thus. Her diseale was the imposteme of the milt: and by the reason of the stoppyng of the milt/ whiche was the cause that it could not draw Melancholy vnto it/ nether clenge the blode/ made the woman to appere so/ as she had bene a lepre. Therefore when as the imposteme was resolued / and the stoppyng was opened/ by the workyng of this medicine/ whose vertue was to cut in sunder humores/ and to breke them/ & to scour away: these weomen were restored vnto theyr former helth agayn. Thus far the Arabians. Of whose saynges and experiences Matthiolus gathereth well in my iudgement/ that Tamarisk wold do well to be dressed after the maner of Guaiacū for the frenche pockes/ and should be lyke in vertue with Guaiacū. But I wold not only that Tamarisk should be so prepared for the pockes/ but for all other diseases that arys of the milt. But my counsel is further/ that they that are diseased in the milt/ or in any diseale that spryngeth out of the milt/ should cause a wyne to be made of Tamarisk for suche diseases. And I doubt not/ but they shall fynde grete ease & helpe of the vse of that wyne. Diverse
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Of the herbe called Myrrhis.

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In hygh Germany about the places where as Tamarisk groweth in grete plenty/haue thys yere made wyne of Tamarisk which is not only pleasant in the mouth/(for I haue tasted it) but also holsum/for the body as reason doth teache/and experyence beareth witnes.

Myrrhis.

Of the herbe called Myrrhis.



Myrhis/as Dioscorides saith/is like y homlok/ both in stalk and in leues. It hath a root something lōge/soft/round & wel smelling/& not vnpleasant in mete. Thys description by y iudgemēt of y moste parte of lerned men is the herbe y is called of y herbaries cicutaria. But for all y I perceyue well/ y euen they y say that Myrrhis is cicutaria/ dout oz ellis know not perfittly which herbe is cicutaria/amongest y whiche is Amatus Lusitanus/who although he sayeth y Myrrhis is cicutaria: yet where as he promisseth to teche Spanishe/Italiane & frenche names of herbes as he doth moste comely when he knoweth them/ he sheweth onely y Duch name of cicutaria/ as thoughe he hath bene longer in Duchelād thē in Spayn/Italy oz frāce/oz ellis the Duch tong were rycher thē the other aboue named tonges were/oz y Germanes had fōūd a name for cicutaria/ where as y Italianes/ Spanyardes & frenche men hath as yet fōūd none.

Matthiolus also semeth playnly to dout together cicutaria be Myrrhis oz no. for he saith y there is an herbe comen in Itali called cicutaria/whiche mē thynk to be Myrrhis/& a litle after he sayeth: si Myrrhis in Italia prouenit &c. If Myrrhis grow in Itali. I haue fōūd none y agreeth better w y description/ thē thys whiche I haue set out. Wherefore ye may se y thys herbe is not yet perfittly knowen. There are ij. herbes/ where of I dout which of them should be the true Myrrhis. The one is called in Englishe callhes. It groweth in Orcharde amongest y gras vnder y trees very lyke vnto Homlok/ I neuer saw greter plenty of it/ then I haue sene in the hōrtyard of Dēbrook hall in Cābrigde/ where as I was som tyme a poze felow. The other herbe differeth very lytle from the former/ sayng y it groweth wilde about hedges & in middoes/ & is shorter then the other/ & hath rougher leues and more lyke cheruel. Wherefore I call it mok cheruel/ but for all y when it is growē by/ it is muche lyker an homelok then cheruel/ so y as far as I can iudge by the figure/ it is the same herbe y Matthiolus setteth furth/ for Myrrhis which Fuchsius calleth wilder kerffel.

The vertues of Myrrhis.

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Of the Myrt tre.

The roote of Myrrhis dronken in wyne / helpeth the bytynge of fel-
despyders. It byngeth to weome down theyr skynes and the secon-
des if they stop. It purgeth also weomen after theyr delyuerance.
It helpeth them that haue the tisk / sodden in a dynk. They say also that
the same dronken in wyne twyse or thryse vpon a day / is good for the pesti-
lence / and that it saueth a man from infection.

Of the Myrt tre.



Dioscorides writeth of ij. kyndes of myrtus / of the
one in the first booke / and that is the gardine myrt /
and of the other in the fourthe / and it is Myrtus syl-
uestris / which is called in Latin Ruscus. Howbeit /
he semeth to mene þ there is also an other wilde myrt
tre besyde Ruscus. Dioscorides maketh ij. sortes of
sowen or set myrtel trees / the one he called the whyte
and the other the black. But other writers make yet
mo kyndes of Myrtilles. Whereof I haue sene one /
whē I was in Bononi: it hath fiue tymes as litle leues as it that is set furth
of Matthiolus for the comen sett Myrt tre. And that kynde did I also se in
monte Appenino / but they that shewed it me / called it Myrtum syluestrem /
and it with the small leues / (which is in dede Myrtus satua tarantina)
only Myrtum satiuam. But I rather holde in thys mater with Matthio-
lus / then with them that hold of the contrari parte. Although I thynk that
Matthiolus hath paynted hys Ruscus with to lytle leues and hys Myrt
tre with to great and brode leues in comparison of the other. For Dioscori-
des in the description of the wild Myrte tre / which is called in Englishe bo-
chers brome / maketh it to haue broder leues / then set Myrt hath. I haue
sene them both / a doutles there is a fault in the smalnes of the leues of Rus-
cus as I intende to shew more largely when I shall com to þ intreatyng of
Ruscus. The set or gardin Myrt tre / hath botwying branches and twygges /
a rede bark / lōge leues allwayes grene / somthyng like the leues of a Dom-
granates leues. In the whyte Myrte appere whiter leues / and in the black
blackier. They haue all whyte floures and well smellyng. The sett or gardin
Myrt trees haue greater frute then þ wild haue. Both the kyndes of Myrt
trees haue lōge frutes / lyke vnto þ frutes of þ wilde Myrt tre but greater.

The vertues of the Myrt tre.



The vertue of the Myrte tre / & of the sede of þ same / is to byn-
de. The grene / or dry sede / is good to be geuen in mele to the
that spit bloode / & it helpeth the prickynge of the blader. The
iuce pressed out of the grene leues / hath the same vertue. It
is good for felde spyders. And in wyne it is good for the styng-
yng of a scorpion. The brothe of Myrtelles sodde in wyne /
helpeth the sores that arysse in the vttermoste membris. The same layde to
with the flour of perched barley / swageth the inflamaciones of the eyes. It
is good to be layde to agaynst the impostemes of the corners of the eye. If
ye put the sede into wyne and hete it ther in / it will be good for them that
haue weyk braynes to saue them from dronkennes / so that the wyne that is
strey-

streyned, be taken afore had. The bathe made with the seede of the myrr tre is good for the falling down of the mother, for the diseases of the fundamēt, for the issue & weomē haue som tyme to muche plenty of. It scoureth away scurf or scalles in the hede, & the rynnynng sores in the hede, and the wheles that burst out in the hede. It stayeth the heyr that falleth of. The bath that is made of the leues of the Myrte tre, is good to sit in, for them & haue mem- bres out of ioynte, whiche fasten and grow together very slowly. Also if bo- nes be broken, and will not easely be ioyned, and fastened together agayn, it is good to bath them with the brothe aboue mentioned. It healeth the whyte morphew, and it is good to be poured into matery eares that ryn. The iuice hath the same vertue. The leues broken and layd to with water, ar good for moyst sores, and for all partes of the body hauyng any issue, and for them that haue the lax. If ye put to it the oyle made of vnrype oly- ues, or a lytle rose oyle with wine, they ar good for tetters or crepinge sores, for the wildfyre, for the inflammatione of the stones, & for the sores or issue in the eyes, that darken the syght & for harde lumpes. The pouder of the wi- thered leues, is good to be cast vpon the whitflaw, / aguayles. It is good agaynst the styngkyng that cometh of to muche swete, in the flankes and armholes. It stayeth the swetynng of them that haue the disease which is cal- led cardiaca passio. The raw leues, or elles burnt with a trete made of wax, heal burnyng whit flawes and aguayles.

Out of the later writers.

The brothe of Myrttilles or Myrte sedes, with butter stoppeth to mu- che swetynng. The Myrte leues comfort the hart, and take away the trymlyng of the same. The iuice is good for the burnyng of the bla- der & kydnees. An emplaster made of Myrttelles is good for the pyles & the fallynng out of the fundamēt. Let the apothecaries phisicioness, and surgea- nes of England take hede, that they vse no more as they haue don in tymes past, the litle bushe & groweth in the semies in the stede of the ryght Myrte tre, but let the cause & right Myrttelles & Myrte leues be brought vnto them out of Itali, where as is of them plenty inough to be had. Many of the apo- caries of Germany haue erred an other way in the Myrte tre, in takynng the bleberries or hurtel berries in the stede of the Myrte tre.

Of the herbe called *Napus*.

Iscorides hath not described vnto vs & herbe called *Napus*, nether Pliny in any place & I haue red as yet. He maketh v. kyndes of *Napus*: but Matthiolus & Fuchsius ech of the ma- kethe no mo but ii. kyndes. Yet they diuide theyr kyndes di- uersely. For Matthiolus diuideth *Napus* into & whyte and the yelow. And Fuchsius diuideth it into the set or sown, & into & wilde. *Napus* is named in Greke *Βουβας* but not bunion, in Duche *Steck- rub*, in Frenche *nauet*. I know no Englishe name for it, as it is no muerel, seyng that I neuer saw the ryght *Nape* growyng in England. It may be called a *Nape* or a yelow rape vntill we fynde out the olde Englishe name for it. The *Nape* hath leues lyke vnto a rape but smother, & indented about the edges after the maner of rocket. It hath a round stalk of a cubit hight, &

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O/ Narcissus out of Dioscorides.

Napus.

Napus agrestis.



som tyme hygher / & a yelow flour lyke vnto Cole / & a fede in long coddges oz small long huskes. The roote is som thing long and so rounde as a rape roote is / and comonly in Germany it is yelowish. It with the whyte roote is not gretely vlsed in Germany.

The vertues of the Nape.

The roote of Nape oz Nauet as the frence men call it soddē bredeþ wynde / & nozillheth but litle. The fede of the Nape / dulleth poyson if it be dronkē. It is muche vlsed to be put into triacles & preseruatiues. Napes ar hote & moyste / & they brede wynde & raw fleme. They sharpe the fede / & smoothe þ breste / & throte / they hete þ kydnes. Galen semeth to con- teyn Napes vnder rapes / for I can fynde no mention of Napes in Galene / in hys booke de simplicibus medicamentis. And Paulus ioyneth rapes and Napes together in these wordes. The Nape & the rape if they be twyse soddē / nozisse no lesse then other herbes do. But if they be cōtinually eten / they make a grosse iuice.

Of Narcissus out of Dioscorides.



Her ar som that call Narcissum / as a lily / litium. It hath leues lyke vnto a leke / thyn and muche lesser & narrower. The stalk is emyti and bare without leues / and it is hygher then a span. The flour is whyte and redilhe yelow within / and in som put- ple.

Of Narcissus out of Dioscorides.

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ple. The roote whi is tohyte / rounde
 & knoppy after the lyknes of a bulb.
 The seide is as it were in a filme oꝝ
 rote/ blak and long. The moſte excel-
 lent groweth in hylles / and hath a
 ſweete ſauor. The other reſemble a le-
 ke/ and haue an herbiſhe ſtink.

Of Narcissus out of Pliny.

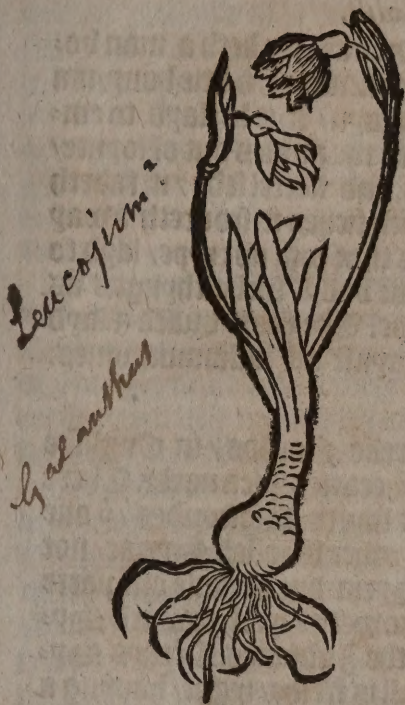


He Phyſicianes ble ij. kyn-
 des of Narcissus / where of
 one hath a purple ſoure and
 the other hath the coloz of herbes.

Out of Theophrast.



Tis meruelus that chaſſeth
 vnto the ſquill oꝝ ſe bypon / &
 to Narcissus. For of all other
 herbes / whether when they be firſt
 ſowē / oꝝ grow agayn / after theyr fal-
 lyng / the leſe cometh in hys tyme
 firſt furth / and afterwarde the ſtal-
 ke. But in theſe ꝑ ſtall cometh furth
 before the other partes / and of Nar-
 ciſſus the ſtall of the ſoure cometh
 only furth with ſpede / for the ſoure
 haſteth forwarde very muche. Nar-



ciſſus hath a narrow leſe / many together & fat. Out of all theſe deſcriptio-
 nes I gather that our comen Daſſadil is one kynde of Narcissus / where of
 Pliny maketh mention / when as he ſpeaketh of it with the herbiſhe coloz.
 The faſſhon of the leſe / ſoure and ſtall of our Daſſadil agreeth well with the
 deſcription both of Dioscorides / & Theophrast / only the coloz of the ſoure
 is contrary oꝝ beſyde the deſcription of Dioscorides. But neuertheleſſe I
 iudge that it is a kynde of Narcissus / which Dioscorides had not ſene when
 as he wrote of the whyte ſoured Narcissus. The deſcription of Dioscorides
 agreeth well vnto the herbe which we call in ſom places of England white
 laus tibi / let them that lyſte examyn the mater / and they ſhall fynde it as I
 haue ſayde. Som take thys herbe to be violam albam Theophrasti / with
 whome I will not ſtrive / except they ſay that it agreeth not with the deſcri-
 ption of Narcissus in Dioscorides. As for the lyknes that it ought to haue
 (as ſom men iudge) with the ſoures of the lily / whoſe name it may ſeme to
 haue had ſom tyme for the lyknes ꝑ it had with the lily / & hath it not / for the
 leues ar nether in faſſhon lyke the other Narcissus noꝝ the lily ſoure / for it is
 not hole as the lilies ſoure is / but deuyded: I anſwer that Pliny ſheweth
 that the difference betwene the kyndes of Narcissus & of lilies ſtandeth in
 that / that vpon the ſtalles of the lilies grow leues / & vpon the ſtalles of the
 kyndes of Narcissus growe no leues at all. Dioscorides writeth of ij. ſortes
 of Narcissus / one ꝑ groweth in the mountaynes / & an other kynde in other

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places. where of I neuer saw the former kynde in any mountayn/ but all wayes in gardines. And as for the other kynde I reken that it is agreyng in sauer to our comen daffadill/ except my memori do fayle me/ & I am suere that the white laus tibi hath the styrnk that Dioscorides speket of.

The Properties of the daffadill.

The roote sodden/ whether it be eaten/ or dronke/ maketh a man vomit. It is good for burnyng. The roote broken with a litle hony/ maketh the cut synewes to grow together agayn/ if it be layd to em- plaster wyle. The roote layde to with hony helpeth the ankles out of ioynte/ and the old aches of the ioyntes. With vinegre and nettel seide/ it taketh away the spottes and morphew in the face. With siches it scoureth away the matter of woundes. It breketh impostumes that will not rype/ layd to with darnel mele/ and hony/ it draweth out of the body/ suche thynges as stick fast in it. It maketh fleshe grow in a wounde. The roote bruised & layd to/ is good for weomēs brestes & ar swelled & agaynst all inflammationes.

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Nardus is named in Greke Nardos/ in Englishe Spikenarde/ of the apothecaries spica nardi. There ar ii. kyndes of Nardus sayeth Dioscorides/ & one is called Indishe/ & the other is called Syriac/ not because it groweth in Syria/ but because one parte of the hill where as it groweth/ lyeth toward Syria/ & the other parte to the Indianes. Of thys Syriak kynde/ the principall is freshe/ lyght/ hauyng a large thyng resembling hare/ yelow in color/ very well smelling/ and much lyke Cyperus in smell/ with a short eare/ and a bitter taste/ which dryeth the tonge/ because it cōtineweth long in the plesantnes of hys smell. Of the Indishe kynde/ there is one that is called Gangit of the flood Gages/ whiche rymeth by the mountayn wher vpon it groweth. Thys kynde by the reason of the grete moysture of the place is weaker in vertue/ an hygher in lengthe/ and it byngeth furthe many spikes or haryeres out of one roote/ folden in one iust to an other/ of a very strong sauer. The Nardus of the mountayn sauereth better/ and it hath a short eare/ and cutted/ the smell of it is lyke vnto Cyperus/ and it hath all the other vertues of & Syriak. There is also a kinde called of & place where it groweth Sampharitis/ with a shorte bushe hauyng grete eares spredyng out & a whyter stalk/ thys hath a rammysh or buckishe styngkyng smell/ wherefore it is not allowed. Thus far Dioscorides. Mattheolus and Amatus hys folower/ do take muche labor to proue that the Spica nardi/ that is the eare of Nardus is no eare growyng in the top of the stalke/ but that it is the roote of Nardus. And agaynst all other that holde the contrari opinion & it groweth in the top/ they inuey very sharply/ and namely agaynst iii. greater clerkes then euer they haue bene or ar like to be/ that is Hermolaus Barbarus/ Ioannes Ruellius/ and Ioannes Manardus. Which allthoughe they erred/ yet for theyr other trutthes that they haue taught/ all Europa descrued to be handled somthyng gentlyer then these new correctores haue handled them. As for me I thynk that the ear groweth not in the top of & stalk/ but

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hard by the roote/ether partely in þ grounde or very nere vnto the grounde/ but I thinke rather that som parte of the ear groweth within the ground. Yet for all thys/ I reken þ the spike can not be properly called a roote. And as for the place þ they alledge out of Galene de antidotis/ in Galenis wordes they must ether vnderstand Galene to calle the spike of Nardus vnproperly a roote/ or ellis they muste in other places not only deny the autorite of Galene/ but also of Philo/ & Dioscorides also/ which make an open distinctione and difference betwene the roote of Nardus an the eare of the same: or ellis playnly deny that the spik is a root. Galene in the. ix. book de compositione medicamentorum secundum locos alledgeth in þ preseruatue or antidot of Philo is. verses amongst many other/ whiche seme playnly to deny that Nardus is a roote. The verses are these:

Et drachmam dictæ falso radicis, ab ipsa

Terra, pisse quæ loue clara manet.

And Galene expoundyng these verses/ sayeth these wordes folowynge: Quin & Nardi ipsius drachmam vnam coniiciendam censet, quam radicem falso dictam appellat, quandoquidem spica nardi verè nominatur. Also he iudgeth that a diam of Nardus must be put there to/ which he calleth a falsely named roote/ because it is truly named the ear or spike of Nardus. Dioscorides also in the description of the Nardus whiche is called gangitis/ sayeth that many spikes or eares com out of one roote/ where vpon it foloweth playnly by the autorite of Dioscorides that the ear of Nardus is not the root of Nardus. Therefore I reken that it is playn that the spica Nardi can not be properly called a roote/ without the gairnsaying of Philo/ Dioscorides and Galene. Matthiolus layng to other mennes charges earnestly many errours wyrtynge vpon Nardus/ is not very far from a manifest error if he be not wrapped within it all redy. For he semeth to iudge that Nardus hath no stalk at all/ and that therefore the spike or ear can not grow in the top of the stalk/ which is not/ or can no where be found. Hys wordes are these: Ego tametsi nardi quam plurimum &c. Although I haue examined & picked out very much Nardus/ in the shoppes of Uenis/ yet could I neuer fynd any thyng of Nardus there/ sayng only the eare. Wherefore I thinke there can be found no Nardus which byngeth furth the eares in the top. But what reason is thys/ he seeth nothyng of Nardus but the eare/ ergo Nardus hath nothyng ellis/ because he hath sene no more. If thys be Matthiolus argument as he semeth at the leste to go toward thys end: then it appeareth that Nardus should haue nether any stalk/ nether any other root besyde the eare/ which is elene contrari vnto Dioscorides/ whome he taketh in hand to expounde/ who appoynteth both a stalk vnto Nardus/ and also an other roote besyde the spikes or eares to the same. And although in Germany there is not suche choyse of simples in euery place as is in Uenis/ yet in thys yere of our lord 1557. I found in the shop of Jacob Diter the Apothecari of Wileburg on pece of Nardus whiche hath a stalk a synger long holow/ and of the bygnes of a metely byg straw/ which I haue to shew at thys present daye. As touchyng þ roote of Nardus if that Matthiolus could fynde nothing of it/ sayng þ eare at Uenis/ I meruel where he found þ litle roote that the eares grow one in hys figure whiche he hath set out in hys commentaries vpon Dioscorides. Amatus holdeth also stiffly that the spyke or

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ear of *Nardus* is also the roote. But it semeth by hys wytyng both in the chapter of *mew* and also in *Nardus* that he shoulde meane that the ear of *Nardus* should be the nether parte of the roote of *Nardus* for in both the chapters he compareth the roote of *Spiknard* with the roote of *mew*. And in bothe the places he sayeth that the tusty rootes that ar very lyke *Spiknarde* in *Mew* grow in infima parte radicis in the lowest parte of the rootes. In the later place he sayeth thus. Where as *Dioscorides* sayeth that *Nardus* putteth furth of one roote many eares that serueth for our purpos/ whē as out of one principall roote as the mother of the rest/ many rootes as havy eares growyng one hard to an other/ do spryng out/ as a man may se the lyke in the rootes of *Mew*/ whose infinite rootes were divided into eares that all that saw them/ iudged them to be *Spiknard*. And a litle after he sayeth/ wherefore we ought to conclude that ther is no other roote found in *Nardus* sayyng the spike or eare. If he mean thus as by hys wytyng he semeth to do/ he is very far deceyued for besyde that I have sene a stalk immediately comyng from the spike (the stalk commeth neuer immediately from the lowest parte of the roote) *Dioscorides* sheweth that the Spikes com from one roote. The rootes allwayes in all plantes ar the lowest & nether most partes of them/ then when as the Spikes com out of one roote/ that roote must be lower and benethe the Spikes. Then the Spikes can not be the lowest partes of the rootes/ as he sayeth that the tusty endes and lowest partes of the rootes of *Mew* be. But where as he sayeth that there is no other root sayyng the Spike/ I ask them whether it is the maner of *Dioscorides* to geue one thyng in one place ij. sundry names/ and to disseuer one thyng with ij. names when as the thyng is but one. If it be not hys maner so to do/ then is hys glose brought in vayne/ where as he sayeth the the sayng of *Dioscorides* that many Spikes com out of one roote/ is to be vnderstand/ that many rootes com out of one principal or mother roote/ when as *Dioscorides* in all hys hoie worke neuer calleth a roote a Spike/ nor a Spike a roote. Als for the other error whiche he holdeth (or at y lesse he semeth to hold) with *Matthiolus*/ that *Nardus* hath nether stalk nether other roote then the eare/ nede to make no other confutatione then it that a lytle aboue I haue made vnto *Matthiolus* for y same opinion. Then thys is my opinion of *Nardus*/ that it hath a lytle roote in y ground/ out of the whiche the Spikes or eares spryng out/ and I thynk that the lowest partes of the eares at the lesse touche the ground/ and that the stalke (as I haue ones sene it) commeth out of the middes of the Spike or eare of blak redilhe color/ thin and holow with in.

The vertues of Spiknard.



Nardus hath the pour to hete and to dry. It dryueth furth water and maketh a man pisse wel. If it be dronken/ it stoppeth the belly/ If it be layde to/ it stoppeth the rynnyn out and matter of the mother. If it be taken with cold water/ it helpeth the gnawynge of the stomacke/ it heleth wyndenes/ it helpeth the liuer/ & heleth the saundes and the diseases of the kydnees. If ye will leth *Nardus* in water and sit in it: it is a remedy agaynst the inflammation of the mother. It is good for bare epyddes that want heare/

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for it byngeth heare againg. It is good to be cast vpon bodie that ar to moyste or swete to muche. It is put in to antidotes and triacles / and it is comenly layd vp in a new erthen vessel for ey medicines. But it is first bet in to pouder / and afterwarde made in to trochisces or rouid kales with wyne. *Nardus* is hote in the first degre and fully dry in the second degre.

Of the herbe called nardus celtica.



The celtick *Nardus* groweth in y alpes of Liguria / and it is called in y countre name there *Alluggia* (it appeareth that *Dioscorides* woide haue sayd *saluica* / for there is no such latine worde as *Alluggia* is) It groweth also in Istria. It is a litle bushyng / and it is gathered and made vp into litle hand fulles / It hath a lese somthyng long / with a pale yellow color / and a rygh yelow floure. Thys herbe is called in Duche *Magdaleinkraut* / it groweth plentifully in the alpes that depart Italy and Germany. It may be called in Englishe / French / *spicknarde*.

The vertues of Frenche spicknard.



En vse only the stalkes and rootes of this herbe. It is commended for y best which is freshe / and hath a good smell / and hath many rootes cleuyng together / full / and not brukle or easy to breke. It is good for the same purposes that the other *Nardus* is good for / it driueth water furth muche more myghtely / and is better for the stomack. It helpeth the inflammations of the liuer and the faundes. It is good to be dronke agaynst the wyndenes of the stomack with the brothe of wormwood. It is also good to be dronken with wyne agaynst the diseases of the milt / kidnees and bladder / and agaynst venemus bytinges. It is put into softenyng emplasters / in to drinckes & heting opintmentes. Thys Frenche *Nardus* as *Galene* sayeth is of lyke propriety with the other / sayng that it is weaker for all purposes / sayng for prouokynge of brine / for it is hote and is lesse byndyng. *Galene* also in hys booke de compositione medicamentorum secundum locos sayeth / that the freche *nardus* is the beste medicine / and worketh whatsoeuer the Indische *nardus* doth / but that it is a litle weaker in workynge. Wherefor when the truthe is so / I counsell that apothecaries vse rather thys Freche *spicknard* freshe and good / as allwayes it may be had out bothe of Germany and Itali / the *spicknard* of India / if it be olde & rotten as muche of it is before it cummeth vnto vs. I meruel that *Tragus* and *Matthiolus* folowynge the comon ignorance of theyr countrees call lauender spik / Duche *Nardus* and Italia *nardus* / sayng that in forme and fashon they haue no lyknes at all with *nardus*. And howe muche they differ in qualites / they that with iudgement examini both / can well testifi. If the woilde continue long / theyr namynge of lauender with the name of *Nardus* may byng som simple men in beleue / that lauender is a ryght kynde of *nardus* growynge in Germany and Italy / wher as it is much lyker to be a kinde of *stechas* then of *Nardus*.

Of gardin cresses.

Nasturtium hortenfe.



Nasturtiū is named in Greke kardomō, in Englishe cresses or kars, in Duche kresslich, in Freche cressō. Gardin cresses grow no where el-

les þ I know, sauving only in gardines. The cresse is but a small herbe of a foot and a half longe, the leues are small and iagged about, the floures are whyte. The blackishe rede sede is conteyned in litle rounde sede vessels. And it is sharpe in taste and byting.

The vertues of cresses.



The sede of cresses, is eu- uel for the stomack, & trobleth þ belly, & dry- ueth furth womens. It minisheth þ mylt. It is eu- el for woemen w-

childe: it prouoketh down woemens siknes and stirreth men to veneri. It is like vnto mustard and rocket. It scoureth away lepres an scurfines be- ry nere vnto lepres. If it be layd to w-

hony it swageth þ swellung of the milt. It scoureth away the sores called fa- uos, like to an hony combe. It dryueth furth the diseases of the lunges if it be sodden in suppinges. The same if it be dronken withstandeth the venom of serpentes, and the smook of it dryueth away serpentes. It stayeth the fal- lyng of the here. It rypeth carbuncles, and bursteth them. It is good for the sciatica, if it be layd to with perched barley mele and vinegre. It dryueth a- way or scattereth abroad swellunges, and gathered humores together. And if it be layd to with bryne, dryueth furth angri bytes and other sores, such as one is called cattis hare. The leues & branches are good for the same pur- poses: but they are not so strong, so long as they ar grene. For thē they ar yet so gētle þ they may be eatē with bryde, as Galene sayeth, for soul or kitchyn.

Of the tre called Nerium.



Nerium is also called rhododaphnus and rhododendron, in Ita- liane Oleandro, of Barbarus writers Oleander, som Duche mē call it Oleander, the frence men call it rosage. I neuer saw it out of Italy wherefore I know no Englishe name for it. But it may well be called in Englishe after the Greke, ether rose tre or bay rose tre, or Oleander after the comon herbaries.

The bay rose tre hath leues lyke an almond tre, but longer, fatter, and as som textes are, broder & rougher. The floure is lyke a rose. The fruit is som- thyng

Of the tre called Nerium.

Nerium I.

Nerium II.



lyke vnto an almond after the fallshon of an horne/ which when as it openeth sheweth a wolly she nature lyke an thysel down/as Ruellius traslatio hath/ it semeth by hys greke text had *καυδιον παππος*. But my greke text hath *καυδιον παππος*. And so semeth the old translator to haue red/ for he he translateth thus: *lanam deintus habens similem hyacintho*. Yet for all that I lyke Ruellius Greke text better then myne / for the down is whyte and lyke thessel down/ & nothyng lyke hyacinthus/ nether in color/ nor in down which it hathe not. The roote is long/ sharpe and woddyshe/ saltyshe in taste. It groweth in plesant places/ by the se syde and about riuers.

The properties of Oleander.

The floures and the leues of oleander ar poyson to mules dogges/ asses/ and to many other four footed beastes. But it is vnto a mā a remedy if it be dronken with wyne/ agaynst the bytynges of serpent-tes/ and so much better it is if rue be mixed therewith. Wike beastes as shepe and gotes/ if they drynck of the water where in ar fallen the leues or floures of oleander/ die shortly after. Galene writeth that Oleander if it be taken in/ that it killeth bothe man and the moste parte of bestes also: wherefore let no man thinck that Dioscorides meaneth that Oleander shuld be ra-

Of the herbe called *Nymphaea*.

be taken of an unmanly way only of suche as hath bene hurt with the poy-
soned bytyng of a serpent: for if a man take it in/except he haue bene poyso-
ned before/it will poyson hym. But when as y poyson of serpentes may well
be healed by many other medicines that ar no poyson/as oleander is/my
counsel is that no man that is bitten with a serpent/take in any oleander/if
there be any triacle or other good herbe may be had by and by after that he
is bitten. I haue sene thys tre in diuerse places of Italy/ but I care not if it
neuer com into England/ seying it in all poyntes is lyke a Wharesey/that is
beuteus without/ and within/ a rauenus wolf & murderer. The later wri-
ters say that Oleander is good for the scab and ich/ and that it is good for
the olde aches of the knees and kydnes/ if it be layd to after the maner of an
emplaister. They wyte that the broth of the leues killeth flees and such lyke
vermind if it be cast vpon the flore/where as they be.

Of the herbe called *Nymphaea*.

Nymphaea candida.

Nymphaea lutea.



Nymphaea is named of the apothecaries nunefar/ in Englishe
water rose/ or water lill/ in Dutch se blumen. *Nymphaea* is of
ii. sortes/ the one hath a whyte flowre and the other hath a
yelow flour: they grow both in meres loughes/ lakes and in
still or standyng waters. The leues ar lyke y bene of Egypt/
but they ar lesse & longer/ som of them swym aboue the water/
som

some are under the water/and many of the come out of one roote. The one hath a whyte floure as lili/the other hath a yelow flour lyke a rose/in þe middes of þe white floure is a thyng lyke vnto safron. Out of the flour whē it withereth away/ cometh furth a rounde blak apple lyke vnto a poppi hede/ which hath a blak seide and a clāmy taste. The stalk is smoth/ blak and not thick/ lyke vnto the bene of Egypt. The roote of the whyte Nymphaea is black/ & roughe and lyke vnto a cub. But the roote of the yelow nenufar is whyte. The rootes vse to be cut down in September/October and Nouēber/ or in the last end of the harvest.

The vertue of both the kyndes of nenufar.



The whyte leued water lili or nenufar dried and dronken wth wyne/ is good for the comon lax/ and for the bloody flux/ and it washeth away the mylt. The roote is good to be layde to the bladder & stomack. With water it scoureth away white spottes lyke lepres. If it be layde to with piche/ it wil heale a scaled hede when the heyr goeth of. The same is good to be dronke of wth wthueles gentlemen/ or husbādes gentle weome agaynst the vncleue dremyng of venery and filthy pollutiones that they haue on þe nyght. For if it be dronke continually for a certayn tyme/ it weykeneth muche the seide. The seide of the herbe hath the sam property. The seide & roote of it with the yelow flour dronken with rede stoppyng and tart wyne/ ar good agaynst the rymyng out or isshues that weomen somtyme haue.

Of Basil.



Dioscorides describeth not ocimū/ but a man may gather by hym in the description of other herbes where vnto he cōpareth ocimum/ what maner of leues ocimum hath. The ryght Mercuri & Heliotropium as Dioscorides wyrteth/ haue leues lyke Basil. Then he that knoweth the ryght Mercuri & Heliotropium/ may easely know what maner of leues Basil hath. The stalk is a span long & somtyme longer. It floureth and sedeth first beneth in the stalk/ and after aboue.

The flour is som tyme white mixed/ som tyme with other colores. The seide is black or at the lest blakishe/ conteyned within a blakish filme. One principall roote goeth depe in to the grounde and that is thick and woddyshe. The other rootes that com out of it/ ar small and long. Basil is named in Greke ocimon/ and of the later Grekes basilicon/ in Duche Basiliē/ in France du Basilik.

The vertues of Basil.



Basil/ if it be taken to plentifully in mete/ dulleth the eyesight/ It softeneth the belly/ moueth þe spirites/ & dryueth out pisse and byrgeth milk to þe brestes. But it is hard to be digested. But if it be layd to with the flour of perched barley and with vinegre and rose oyle/ it helpeth the inflammaciones of the longes. It is good for the strykyng of a se dragon/ and the stryng

Of Basil.

Ocimum magnum.

Ocimum minus.



Synge of scorpiones. And by it self onely with wyne of Cio/ it helpeth & ach of the eyes. The iuice scoureth away the darknes of the eyes. It dryueth by the droppynge down of humores. The sede dronken is good for them that brede melancholi/ and for them that can not make water/ and for them that ar puffed by with wynd. If it be put in to the nolethrilles it maketh a man nese. The which thyng the leues do also. But ye must shite your eyes when ye ar cōpelled to nese. Sum thynk that it ought not to be receyued in mete. For if it be chowed and set furth in the son/ it bredeth woymes. The men of Alphica say that the man that hath dronken of thys herbe/ & is afterward bitten of a scorpion/ shall haue no payn of that bytyng.

Out of Galen de simplicibus.

Basil is hote in the secōd degre/ & it hath a superfluous moystur where fore it is not mete to be takē to & body. But if it be layd to wout/ it is good to make rype. Galene also in hys booke of & poures and properties of nozishmētes writeth thus of Basyl. The most part vse Basyl and eate it w oyl & gare sauce for a soole oz kitchen. But it hath a very hurthfull & an euil iuice. Which thynk made som falsely beleue & if it were set in a pot in & son & it wold turn into a scorpion. But thys may est thou truely say/ that it is noisum to the stomack/ and of an euil iuice and hard to be digested.

of



Lea whiche is sumptyme called also Oliua/ is named in Greke *λαία* it is called in Englishe an Oliue tre/ in Dutch ein Oelbaū/ in frēce yng Oliuerer. The Oliue tre hath leues lyke a wilow tre/ but they ar smaller narrower and harder / in color pale & of an ashy hue. The wilde Oliue tre which is named in Greke *αγριολαία* in Latin *spuelstris* Olea oz Oleaster oz cotinus/ hath less and shorter leues thē the gardin oz set Oliue tre hath. The fruite is also much lesse/ and the bowes ar full of prickes. I haue sene the Oliue tre both in Italy & in Germany.

The vertues of the Olive trees.



The leues of the wilde Oliue tre bynde/ and the same broken & layd to emplaster wyle stay and hold in cholerik impostemes and inflammaciones/ crepyng oz rynnynge sores/ empostemes about the corners of the ey/ carbuncles & whitelawe. And the same layd to with hony take away the crustes that ar about sores oz woundes. They scour also filthy woundes. They dryue away inflammaciones and sores called pauos. They ioyne together agayn the skin that is plucked frō the hede. They ar good for y sores of the mouthe and specially of yong childer/ if they be chowed in the mouth. The iuice and the brothe haue the same vertu. The iuice layd to stayeth burstynge out of blood and wymmens isshues. It is good for the diseases of the ey called bua/ and for wheles sores and old falling down of humores. Wherefore it is put in to the medicines of the eyes called collyria. It is very good for the gnawynge oz bytynge of the ey liddes. If ye will haue the iuice to serue yow all the yere thorow/ stamp the leues/ and put wyne oz water vnto them and dry the moystur in the son and make it vp in litle cakes. But the iuice that is made with the wyne is stronger and fitter to be layde vp/ then it that is made with water. It helpeth the eres/ bothe if they be sore/ and the skin be of/ and also if any mater ryn out. The leues ar good to be layd to with barley mele/ for them that haue the flir. The leues ar burnt with the floures that the asshes may fill the rone of spodium. And thus ar they dressed. Put them into and vnbaked pot that was neuer in the fyre before/ and stop the mouth of it perfittly with clay/ and let the pot stand so long vntill that all the other pottes be baked inoughe. Then quenche thē whille they ar yet hote with wyne/ and kneade them together/ and burn them after the same manner onis agayne. Then washe them and make them in to litle cakes. It is well knowen that this medicine is as good as spodium is in the diseases of the eyes. The leues of the set oliue haue the same vertu/ sauyng a litle weaker. Wherefore they ar fatter for the medicines of the eyes by the reson of theyr gentler nature. The swete oz water that commeth furth of the tre when it is in burnynge in the fyre helpethe/ if it be layd to foul scurfi scalles. The sede of the Oliue tre layde to/ helpeth scurf and frettyng and wastynge sores. It that is within the kirkel with fat and mele/ dryueth of scabbed oz foule roughe reayles. The Oliues that haue ben condited in salt/ broke and layd vnto burnt places will not suffer any blader to ryse. They scour foul woundes. The byrne of Oliues fasteneth the goumes if they be washed therewith/ and maketh fast louse tethe. The yelow and freshe oliue is beter for the stomack/ but it is hard for the belly. The blak that is rype is disposed

to cor.

Of the Olive tre.

to corruption/and is euell for the stomack. And it is euell for the eyes/and engendreth the hedach. If it be dyed it stoppeth frityng or wastynge sores/and dryueth abroad and scattereth carbuncles. It is good to wash the gowmes that are vered with a filthy moisture with the oyle of the wild olive. It maketh fast louse tethe. Take þ oyle and put it in to wooll / or a fyne cloth/ & lay þ hote vnto the waterishe gowmes vntil they be whyte/and it will help the.

Out of Galene de simplicibus.



He bughes of þ Olive tre/as much as they haue of binding/so much coldnes haue they also. The fruite if it be trowly rype/ is mesurably hote. But if it be not rype/ the it couleth more & byndeth more. Olives nourishe but a litle/ & namely they that for rypenes fall of the tre. which þ comon peple comonly ete to brede & otherwhyles with byrne before other metes/ to louse the belly/and these Olives are called almaces and colymbades. As the very rype haue muche fatnes in the/so the vnrype haue a byndyng iuice by reson where of they strengthen the stomack and make a man haue an appetite.

Out of Alexander.



Following the autorite of my maters of whome I learned first þ knowledge of herbes/ who were Antonius Musa/ Fuchsius/ & Ruellius wout any earnest triall/ iudged masters that our comon Alexander was Hippocelidon in Dioscorides. But after that I had red Matthiolus writyng vpon Hippocelidon/ I looked more diligently vpon the description/ and found þ there were certayn properties þ Dioscorides gaue vnto hys Hippocelidon/ which are not to be found in our Alexander. For Dioscorides writyng of Hippocelidon sayeth þ it hath a white roote/and a small/and that the herbe is whiter then persely/ & that þ leues turne a litle towarde a cremisin color. But our Alexander hath a great blak roote/and to looke to the hole herbe is much blacker then persely/ and þ leues haue nothyng lyke cremisin/ althoug such a color appere in som places of the buddes/ wher as they com by first/ wherefore our Alexander can not be Hippocelidon in Dioscorides. But neuerthelesse/ I think þ it is Smyrniū/ but not it þ Dioscorides describeth/ as Matthiolus iudgeth/ but þ Smyrniū that Dioscorides refuseth as vnproperly named Smyrniū/ and yet other Grecianes as Galene and Aetius call Smyrniū. But that Smyrniū as it is differyng from Hippocelidon Dioscoridis/ so I reken it to the Hippocelidon of Theophrast/ & Aetius & the herbe whiche Galene in hys booke de alimentorum facultatibus witneseth to be called Olus atrū in Rome in his tyme. First that our Alexander is not Smyrniū in Dioscorides: these tokens that our Alexander want and are requyred in Smyrniū Dioscorides/ do sufficiently declare. Smyrniū in Dioscorides hath pale/ or saynt yelow leues/ and our Alexanders leues are blak. Smyrniū hath sede lyke hole round & blak. But our Alexander hath long horned sede nothyng lyke hole/ but in all poyntes lyke persely sede/ sayyng þ it is muche bygget & blacker. The root of Smyr-

of Smyrniū is ether grene within/ or elles somthyng whitishe. But our Alexander's root is not grene within/ except my memoꝛi sale me/ nether a litle whitishe/ but playn whyte/ as I remembre. The herbe Smyrniū of Dioscorides groweth in rocky places/ and steppng down hylles/ and in dry places/ and about pathes. But our Alexander groweth in shaddow places/ and in moyste places/ and in Ilandes compassed about the se/ as in a certayn Ilande betwene the far parte of Sommer set there & Wales. Wherefore our Alexander can not be Smyrniū Dioscorides. But þ our Alexander is Smyrnion of Aetius & Galene/ and olus atrum þ Galene maketh mention of/ which the Romanes bled muche in meat/ & also Hippocelinon Theophrasti: trust these resoness folowng shall proue ether in parte or in hole. Aetius writeth thus of Smyrnion. Smyrniū whiche of her calle Hippocelinū is of þ same kynde that persely is of and petroselinon/ but it hath a blak sede and much greter. By these wordes may I gather þ Smyrniū is a kynde of Selinon or Opū which we call perseli/ and seynng that it is the gretest kynde that it may be iustly called Hippocelinō. We may also know that it is therefore a kynde of selinon be cause it hath lyke sede in proportion & figure with other properties belongng therto / & þ it cannot be a kynde of apium or selinō which hath no lyknes in þ sede with Apio Selino or persely/ where vpo we may gather þ louage whiche hath sedes in no poynt lyke Selino/ nether to Oroselinon nor petroselinon cā not be any kynde of apium of selinon/ and þ therefor þ it can nether be Hippocelinō Dioscorides/ nor þ Smyrniū Aetij/ nor yet Smyrniū Dioscorides. Galene in hys secōd booke of the properties of norishmētes or meates writeth thus of selino/ hippocelino/ Sio & Smyrniū. Alle these make a man pisse/ amōgest which persely is mooste bled/ & plesant to the stomacke. But Hippocelinum and belragges ar vnpleasanter. n Smyrnium is also muche vled/ for it is solde in very grete plēty in Rome/ and it is much sharper then perseli and hother/ and it hath also a certayn spicie taste. And therfor it stirreth a man more vehemently to make water/ then persely Hippocelinon and belrages/ or water persely/ and it moueth the floures of weomē. But in the spryng it bryngeth furth a stalke (we call the stalkes whē they com first furth in England in the spryng with litle knoppes growng vpon the Alexander budde) whiche is good meat to be eaten as the leues/ whiche only the herbe had in wynter/ when it had no stalk/ even as persely/ at that tyme hath none. But after that the stalk beginneth ones to com/ alle the hole herbe is more plesanter and sweter/ whether a mā list to eat it raw/ or sodden. These wordes of Galene declare playnly þ the herbe þ he calleth Smyrniū is our Alexander. But by it that immediatly folowethe in Galene shall proue bothe thys mater more clerly/ & also proue þ there is one Hippocelinō (which I take to be it of Dioscorides & not it of Theophrast) þ cānot be our Alexander/ & þ our Alexander is called of the doo latines olus atrum þ is blak wurt. Galene wordes be these. But Hippocelinum & Sio ar eatē sodde: for they ar both vnpleasnt/ when as they ar raw. Som men vse to ethe persely & Smyrnion menged with lettuce leues. For when as lettuce is an eatable herbe very vnfaury/ and hath a colde iuice/ it is made not only plesanter/ but also more profitable if ye put som sharp herbe vnto it. For which cause som mēg the leues of rocket/ & lekes & othe/ the leues of Basil. But now in Rome all men cal that wurt or eatable herbe not Smyrnion but olus atrum that is

Of Orminum.

blackwurt. Thus far Galene. Now after that I haue proued that our Alexander is Smyrniū of Aetius & Galene & the Olus atrū of the old latines/ I will looke now if I can proue that the forsayd Smyrniū or Olus atrū is Hippofelinū & Theophrast describeth. Theophrast describeth hys Hippofelinū thus. Hippofelinū hath leues lyke vnto march or smalache/ but roughe. It hath a grete stalk & a thick root lyke a radice/ but blak. It byngeth also furthe a blak fruite/ in gretenes bygger the Drobus. We say y they ar bothe good for the that ca make no water if they be dronke w whyte swete wyne/ and to dryue out stones. It groweth comonly euery where. And a iuice floweth out of it lyke vnto myrr. Som holde y it is holly mirre alltogether/ & not lyke it only. I se nothyng in thys description/ but that it agreeth well w our Alexander. The leues of Alexander ar lyke vnto the leues of smallage in figure/ but they ar greater & not so smoth as smallage leues ar. The stalk of Alexander is also grete/ & y roote is as thik as a radice roote is/ & blak. The sede or fruite is blak/ an as byg as Drobus/ though it haue an other proportion and figure. As for the naturall place of growyng/ it groweth in euery shyre of England in plenty/ wherefore I se no cause but y Hippofelinū Theophrasti/ is our Alexander. And because many were of y opiniō y myrr which is called in Greke Smyrna/ cam out of the rootes of Hippofelinū. I thynck that it was after wardes called Smyrniū/ that is myrr herbe. If any man dout wheter learned men haue iudged y a thing like myrr cometh out of y roote of Hippofeline/ let hym rede Plini of Hippofelinū and Theophraste/ & he shall shortly I truste leue of doutyng. But if any man repli/ & sai y Theophrast and Galene make Hippofelinū and Smyrniū to haue grene leues all the hole yere: I answer that as Theophraste sayethe that Hippofelinū hath grene leues/ that he sayeth euen the same of persely and of them that they ar grene in the very top/ that is in the ouermoste parte of the lefe (for y stalkes that haue bozne sede/ perish in winter) But whē as there ar ii. sortes of persely/ one that is a wyfe/ which is fruitfull & byngeth furthe fruite/ & an other kynde is called a mayden or of som a widow/ which ether hath neuer bozne sede/ or hath begō to haue stalk and hath bene cut down before it brought furthe rype sede. As in persely it that hath had sed in sommer or harvest/ hath no leues in wynter/ but only the maydē persely/ so is it in Alexander/ for although not eueri rote of Alexander hath grene leues in wynter/ yet in warm places y rough Alexander hath leues in wynter as well as yōg persely. Now at the lengthe I trust I haue sufficiently proued/ y our Alexander is Smyrniū of Galene & Aetius/ Olus atrū of y latines/ & Hippofelinū of Theophrast/ but not of Dioscorides/ and by y way that nether louage is Hippofelinū Dioscoridis/ nor y Smyrniū in Dioscorides is our Alexander.

The vertues of Alexander.

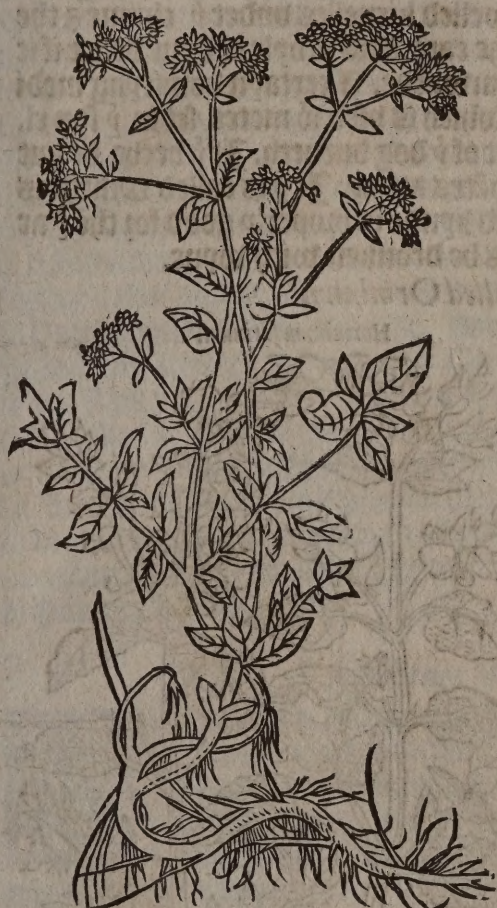
Beyde y properties aboue reherfed Galene sayeth without any grete it dryeth sores/ and maketh rype such as ar harde/ and that y rest of hys pour is lyke vnto Petroselinū. Where fore sayethe he we vse the sede/ to byng down floures/ and to prouoke brin/ and agaynst the stoppyng of the breste/ and short wyndines. Aetius writeth that it is hote and dry in the thyrde degre.

Of the tre called Opulus.

Colu.



Plumella in the v. booke of husbandry sayeth þæt Opulus is like vnto a cornel tre/ & firther I rede not of þæt description of Opulus in hym. wher as Columella cōpareth and lykeneth together Opulū & Cornū. I thynk þæt he dothe it not for þæt lykenes of þæt leues of þæt ii. trees/ for therein they ar very vnlike/ but for þæt lykenes of gretenes & maner of tymbre. The tre þæt was shewed me in Italy of the learned men there to be Opulus/ hath a lese somthyng lyke a maple lese/ for it was indent/ but the poyntes of the leues wer blunter thē the maple tre leues are. Conradus Gesnerus tolde me that it is called in freche vn opier. I neuer saw it in England/ but it may be called in English an ople tre. I know no vertue nor vse that it hath/ sayyng only that it will serue well for tymbre.



much rounder & shorter thē our comō hysopes leues be. It þæt is called Onitis hath a whyther lese & is more lyke hysope. It hath sede lyke berries ioyned together. Thys kynde haue I also sene dry/ & ones in Germany growyng wil in which þæt people called there/ as I remembre wild maiorā. The wilde Origanū hath þæt leues of organ/ & small brāches a spā hyghe/ in whiche is a spoky tope lyke dill/ & whyte floures. The root is small & of small price. Our wild Merierū in Englād which som call Orgā/ and þæt Duch Dost/ myght well be Origanum siluestre/ if it had not a purple flour & branches ii. spānes lōg. Neuer theless it may be a bastard kynde of Origanū or of Marū but

Of Organ.



Riganum may be called in Englishe Organe as Origanū syluestre is named/ in som places of England. But I neuer saw þæt true Orgā in Englād/ sayyng in master Ryches garden in Londō/ where as I saw many other good & strange herbes/ which I neuer saw any where elles in all England. I haue sene Origanū Cretense both in Itali & also in Anwerp/ where as it may be had in metely good plenty of Peter Cōdenberg a saythfull & a learned apothecari. Dioscorides maketh iij. kynde of origanū: the first kynde of origanum is called heracleoticū/ & thys kynde is it þæt I haue made mention before. It hath/ as Dioscorides sayeth a lese not vnlyke vnto hysop/ & a shaddowy top/ not roude after the faschon of a whele/ but many wayes diuyded. The sede is in the top of the twygges not very thypck. Dioscorides maketh origanū very lyke hysop in the leues/ but in dede they ar

Of Orminum.

neither metieru/ nor yet Origanum syluestre þ̄ perfit/where of Dioscorides
wryteth.

The vertues of Organ.

Organ heteth/wherefore þ̄ brothe of it drōkē w̄ wyne is good for thē
þ̄ ar bitten of a serpēt. But if a man haue drōken homlok or þ̄ iuice of
poppi/ he must drynk it w̄ maluaſey. And if a mā haue drōken alaba-
ſter/ or myddow ſaffrō/ it must be drōkē w̄ Orymel made of vinegre & hony.
If a man take an alitable of it þ̄ is about ij. vnces & an half/ whē it is dreyed/
& drynk it w̄ mede/ it draweth out blak humores throw þ̄ belly. It bryngeth
weomē theyr floures/ & if it be licked w̄ hony/ it is good for þ̄ coughe. Mē vse
to geue it to ete w̄ a ſyg to them þ̄ haue any place burſtē & ſhōken together/
& to thē þ̄ haue the dropſey. If a man bath hym in the brothe of it/ it is good
for thē þ̄ haue the iche or yueke/ or any ſcurffines & for þ̄ iaundes. The grene
iuice healeth þ̄ ſores of the mouthe/ þ̄ ſwelled kirknelles vnder þ̄ chinne & the
vuula. With milk it ſwageth þ̄ ach of the eare. And w̄ oyle of ſour delice if it
be put into þ̄ noſe/ it draweth much downwarde. A certayn vomityng medi-
cine is made of it/ opnyones & ſumach which is bleſed w̄ metes/ ſet in þ̄ ſon xl.
dayes in a coppre veſſel/ whille þ̄ planet of þ̄ dog burneth. If þ̄ herbe be but
ſtrowed byō the ground/ it dryueth ſerpētes away. It þ̄ is called Onitis/ is
weyker thē thys firſt kinde is. The wild kynde is properly good for thē þ̄ ar
ſmitten of ſerpent/ if the leues or floures be dronken with wyne.

Of the herbe called Orminum

Horminum syluestre.

Horminum satium.



I was



Was long of that opinion that Ruellius and diuerse other were of that Orminum shuld be the herbe whiche is called of y^e Barbarus wryters Sclarea/ in Englishe Clare/ & in Duch Scharlach. But after that I had wayed the description of Orminum in Dioscorides more depely/ I found that it could not agre with our Clare. And now of late I haue found that Matthiolus is of the same mynde that I am of. And therfore he setteth out an other herbe/ but by hys leue a lytle to rowly described/ for Hormino. But it is beste to examine bothe our clare and the herbe that Matthiolus setteth furth for Hormino with y^e description of Dioscorides. Horminum of the gardin is an herbe withe leues lyke Horehounde/ with a stalk half a cubit hyghe and four squared/ about the whiche com furthe certayn furth peryng thynges/ lyke vnto coddies/ which looke toward the roote/ where in ar diuerse sedes conteyned. For in the wyld Hormino is found a round and dunne sede/ and in the other a blak and longe which is v^sed. Thys description semeth in many thynges to disagre with our Clare/ & in one poynte with it that Matthiolus setteth furthe. The leues of our Clare differ mucche in bygnes and somthyng in proportion from the leues of Horehound. Our Clare hath a stalk ii. cubites long/ but Horminum shoulde haue a stalk but half a cubit long/ y^e thynges that appere out in y^e stalk in Clare/ look bywarde/ but they that ar in Horminum look downwarde. Where ye may se that the description of Horminum agreeth not with our Clare. Dioscorides maketh mention but of one stalk in hys Hormino. But it that Matthiolus setteth furth hath seven stalkes at the leste/ wherefore when as Dioscorides v^seth not comēy to let such notable thynges to slip/ it is lyke if hys Horminū had had as many/ he wold haue made som mention of them. Wherefore y^e may make som ment to dowt wheter the Horminum of Matthiolus be the ryght Orminum or no/ which I wold not do/ if I know that it had al other thynges belonging to Horminum besyde.

The vertues of Horminum.



Men will that Orminum stirreth men to the getting of childer/ with hony it scoureth away the haw in the ey/ or the pin and the web. And if it be layde to with water it dryueth and scattereth away swellinges with y^e same: prickes or shiuers may be plucked out of the body. The wilde Orminū is stronger then y^e other. Althoughe our Clare and oculus Christi which is the wilde Clare/ be not the ii. kindes of Orminum that Dioscorides describeth: yet for al that they haue som vertues lyke vnto the kyndes of Orminū/ for it that we calle oculus Christi, hath thys properti/ that if a man put a sede of it into hys ey/ vnder the ey lyd/ it byngeth furth much filthy gere out of it/ if ther be any there. Both the kyndes of Clare be hote & dry at the leste in the second degree. If ye will put Clare into new must/ and let it ly in it a cōuenient tyme/ or if it be sodden with the must/ it will make a good wyne and holsom for them that haue cold stomackes. The same wyne as the later practicioners wypte/ is good to cut flemē/ & for berun weomen/ and for suche as ar mucche

Of the herbe called Ornithogalon.

cumbered with theyr white floures. The pouder of clare put into a man
nis nose maketh hym nese/and byngeth down much water out of the hede.
The same clare is good to bathe weomen with/ that want theyr floures/
when it is sodden in water with penny ryall and other herbes of lyke
vertue.

Of the herbe called Ornithogalon.



Ornithogalu is a ten-
dre stalk/white/smal/
a foote & an half lōge
with ii. or thre togro-
wyng braiches in y
top which ar loft/out

Ornithogalon.



of the which come furth floures/ w-
out of an herbishe coloz/ but whē as
they gape & ar opened furthe/ they
appere white/ amongst the whi-
che/ a litle hede or knop/ lyke a hasel
floure/ which in the spryng appea-
reth before the leues/ cometh furth.
Thys description of Dioscorides
agreeth well in all poyntes with y
herbe which is called in Duche in
the city of Colon/ Hundis bllich/ but
that it neuer growethe aboue the
hyght of one span/ and is seldum so
long. But it may chance that where
as our comon Greke text hath *διον-
δαλον* / that som hath put to thys
syllab di. [For Pliny describyng the
same herbe/ sayeth that it is but of y
lenght of half a foote as my text of
Plini hath. So that it semeth that
Plini red in hys Greke Dioscorides
(for it is playn that he had *Διοσκο-
ριδης* howsomeuer like a falslyng good lesse man / he pretēdeth as thoughe
he neuer saw Dioscorides of whom he hath conueyed/ so much learned stuff/
into hys omnigatherum) *ωιδανδαλον* and not *διονδαλον*, because there is so
grete difference betwen two spannes and half a foote/ whiche hath but vi.
Romane inches/ when as ii. spannes conteyn xviij. inches or a foote and
an half. But it maketh no grete mater whether we know it or no/ seyng
that it is good for nothing elles/ but to be baked in brede as *Agella Roma-
na* or blak comun is / and to be eaten. / Matthiolus setteth furth an herbe
for *Ornithogalo* Dioscorides/ which if it were ii. span long/ and had all other
thynges agreyng with the description of Dioscorides: I wold not deny but
it were the ryght Ornithogalon/ but because he telleth nether of the length
of hys herbe/ nor of the qualites that it hath/ I dout more of it thē of it that
I haue hether to taken for Ornithogalo.

pliny
says

that

Of



Here is som diuersite of opinionones about thys tre Ornus. Sum hold that it is y tre whiche we call in the North countre a quicken tre or a rown tre / & in y South countre a quikbeme / sum hold y it is Ornus but not fraxinus of y mountaynes as Tragus / who calleth it in Duche Han buchen or Hagen buchen / Other Duche men & namely Jacob Better the Apothecari of wilsburg told me that Ornus is called in ryght Duche Walt eschern oder wilder

eschebau. But my iudgement is that Ornus is not the quikbeme / but Fraxinus montana / whiche thynge I trust I shall proue by good autorite. Columella in hys booke de re rustica sayeth that Ornus is a wyld ashe or an ashe of the woldes / and that it hath no worse bughes then the elm tre. Gotes & shepe ete more gladly of the bughes of thys tre then of other. Theophrast in hys thyrde booke of the histori of plantes / in the eleuent chapter writeth of ij. kyndes of ashes / of the whiche the former kynde is in grete plenty in England / and it is called comonly an ashe tre. & ut the second kynde groweth not in England that I know of. And if I be not deceyued it is called of the Latines namely of Virgil Ouid and Columella / Ornus or Fraxinus sylvestris. And Theophrast wyrteth of hys second kynde of ashe thus. The second kynde of the ashes is lower and wareth not so hyghe as the other / and is rougher / harder and yelowier. The siothe ashe groweth in low and holow places / and in watery places. But the roughe one groweth in dry & rocky grounde. All that grow in playn groundes vse to be playn & smouthe. And all that grow in the mountaynes / vse to be roughe scurvy or scabbed / with vnequal partes apperyng outward after the maner of scabbes. Thus far Theophrast. That Ornus is a tre of y mountaynes / Virgill in y second of hys Georgikes wytnesseth in thys verse:

Nascuntur steriles saxosis montibus Orni.

That is / the Barum Orni or wild ashe trees grow in the rooky or craggi mountaynes.

I know also by experience that I haue of the wild or rocky ashe here in Germany / and by it that I had in the alpes of Rhetia / that the wod of the wilde ashe is very sayr yelow / and that the Germaynes make sayr tables and cupbordes and spounes and many other thynges belongyng to the house of the same ashe tre. Then when as Columella sayeth that Ornus is Fraxinus montana / and Theophrast sayeth that the rockishe ashe is of a yelow color / and the Germaynes walt alcher / that groweth in y mountaynes is yelow / I thynk that I may well conclude that the Germaynes rock ashe or wod ashe is Ornus of the Latines / and Fraxinus sylvestris Theophrasti is for the quikbeme / it groweth not in hygh and wild mountaynes / but in low and watery places / wherefore it can not be Ornus / or the second kynde of ashe in Theophrast.

The properties of Ornus.

I know

Of Orobanche.



Know no other vse of the wilde ashe but that it is good to make ke cupbardes/tables/spownes & cuppes of. And that som vse to make dagger hesters of the roote of it/ for it can scarfly be knownen from dudgyon/ and I thynke that the moste parte of dogion is of the roote of the wilde ashe. Whatsoeuer vertue the other ashe hath thys must haue the same & more effectually / sauynge in such maters as more moysture is requyred in. For then the comō ashe is more fit for suche purposes.

Of Orobanche.



Orobanche / as Dioscorides writeth / is a redisse stalk two spannes hyghe/ and som tynies hygher/ tendre/ roughe without any lefe/ hath/ with a flour somthyng whitishe / but turning toward yelow. The roote is a fynger thick. And when the stalk shrynkethe for dryues/ it is like an holow pype. It is playn that thys herbe groweth amonge certayn pulses/ & that it choketh & strangleth them/ where of it hath the name of Orobanche/ that is chokefitcher or strangletare. Thus far Dioscorides of Orobanche. The herbe whiche I haue taken and taught xv. yeres ago to be Orobanche/ which also now of late yeaeres Matthiolus hath set out for Orobanche/ groweth in many places of Englad/ bothe in the North countre belyde Hopyethe/ whereas it is called our lady of now chapellis flour/ and also in the South countre a lytle from sheue in the broun closes. But it hath no name there. I haue sene it in diuerse places of Germany/ and first of all betwene Colon and Rodekirch. The herbe is comenly a fout long and oft longer/ I haue marked it many yeres/ but I colde neuer se any lefe vpon it. But I haue sene the floures in diuerse places of diuerse colozes / and for the moste parte where so euer I saw thē/ they were redisse or turnyng to a purple coloz in som places/ but in figure they were lyke vnto to y floures of Clare with a thyng in them representyng a cockis hede. The roote is round and much after the fashon of a grete lekis hede/ and there grow out of it certayn long thynges lyke strynges which haue in them in certayn places sharp thynges lyke tethe / where with it claspeth and holdeth the roote that it strangleth. I haue found it oft tynies claspynge & holdyng meruellously soft the rootes of broū / so that they looked as they had ben bound fouldē oft about with small wyre. And ones I found thys herbe growyng belyd the comon clauer or medow trifoly/ which was all wethered/ and when I had dygged by the roote of the trifoly to se what shoulde be the cause that all other clauers or trifolies about wer grene and freshe/ that that trifoly shoulde be dede. I found the rootes of Orobanche fast clasped about y rootes of the clauer/ which as I did playnly perceyue/ draw out all the natural moysture from the herbe that it should haue lyued with all/ and so killed it/ as yui and dodder in continuance of tyme do with the trees and herbes that they fould and wynde them selues about. They that holde that cuscuta or dodder is Orobanche in Dioscorides/ ar far deceyued. For Orobanche is a stalk and not a lace as dodder is. Orobanche is but a fout and an half long/ but the laces of dodder will be som tyme

*in any parts
of England.*

tyme iij. or liij. foote long. Orobanche hath a roote a fynger thik/ but there is none such in dodder/ for ye shall hardly fynde any ryght root at al in dodder. The stalk of Orobanche is hollow when it is withered/ but so is not the stalk or rather the lace of dodder. The stalke of Orobanche is roughe/ but the lace of dodder is very smothe. Wherefore they were very far ouersene which now of late haue writen that dodder is Orobanche in Dioscorides. Som other without any cause haue of late put thys herbe which I take to be Orobanche/ amongst the kyndes of Satyrion.

The properties of Orobanche.



Orobanche which may well be called in our tong chokefiche or stranglewede/ is eten comonly in sallates/ raw or sodden after the maner of sperage. Orobanche as Galene writeth is colde and dry in the firste degre. Matthiolus sayeth that Orobanche is called in Italian lupa/ that is a wolfe and also herba toza/ that is herbe bull/ because that if a cow chaffe to eate of it/ she synneth streyght way after to the bull. But it that Matthiolus wyrteth agaynst Theophrast/ because he sayeth that Orobanche killeth Orobus and strangleth it with hys pressyng in/ or thyrstyng together/ and that Orobanche killeth pulles only with hys presence/ please me not/ as a sayng agaynst reson autorite and experience. It is agaynst reson that only the presence of Orobanche should kill pulles/ seyng it is no venummus herbe/ when euen venummus herbes kill not them amongst whome they grow except they touche them/ or be so thyk amongst them that they take the nourishmet from them/ whereby they should lyue. It is also both agaynst the autorite of Theophrast/ no liyng wyter/ and of lat agaynst Dioscorides/ whome he taketh in hand to expounde. For Dioscorides sayeth. It is playn that Orobanche groweth amongst pulles/ and that it choketh or strangleth them / where vpon it hath gotten the name Orobanche/ that is Orobsstrangler. Now I pray you how can Orobanche strangle it that it toucheth not? Belyke Matthiolus saw no leues in Orobanche nor any clasps about the ground/ & therefore he thought that there was no other thyng that Orobanche had/ where with it colde strangle/ & neuer marked y litle strynges in the roote/ whiche not without a fault hys Orobanche wanteth/ and so cam into thys error that Orobanche strangled only with hys presence. Tragus paynteth well Orobanche vnder the name of Satyrion/ with such lytle strynges as it killed herbes with. And as touchyng experience / I know that the freshe and yong Orobanche hath commyng out of the great roote/ many lytle strynges such as we se in a phrone or se sterre/ but longer/ wherewith it taketh holde of the rootes of the herbes that grow next vnto it. Wherefore Matthiolus ought not so lyghtly to haue defaced the autorite of Theophrast so ancient and substantiall autor / with laiyng ignorance vnto hys charge / seyng that Theophrastus in the same place where he speaketh of Orobanche telleth playnly that sum herbes ar first strangled by the roote / and that not the only presence of suche wedes kill herbes and pulles/ but the takyng away of theyr nourishment that

Of Rife.

that commeth partly out of the erthe and partly from the ayre and son. The wordes of Theophrast are these. Orobanche vocata, eruum necat amplexu compressu suo, & linodorum foenumgræcum interimit, protinus radici adnascens. Lo here may ye see that a weede may kill a pulse by the roote alone. But Theophrast sayeth farther. Omnia idcirco interimunt, quia pabulum tollunt, tam quod terra ministret, quàm quod à sole & aëre veniat. That is all kyndes of weedes do kill/ because they take away the nourishment as well it that the erth geueth / as it that commeth from the ayre and the sonne.

Of Rife.



Riza is named in English and Duche Rife in frenche rize. Dioscorides writeth no more of the description of Rife/ but that it

growes in waterishe and marishe groundes. But Theophrast describeth it more largely/ after thys wyse. Rife is to looke to lyke vnto Lolium or darnel / and for the moste tyme of hys growyng/ it standeth in water. But it putteth furth no eare/ but a mane after the maner of millet and panik. Thus far Theophrast/ who maketh a litle aboue Rife also lyke zea/ which is called spelta of the herbaries/ & in Duche Speltzperk. It hath comonly an ear with ij. chesles or orders of corne/ as barley hath/ called in Greke Distichon. whiche markes all together agre with our Rife/ except that where he sayeth that oriza hath a mane and no eare/ or spike. But I iudge that he taketh an ere very straitly here/ for that which is growyng harde to the top of þe strow & is not spred abroad for/ and wyde from the strow that it commeth out of/ and that therefore he denieth that panicum hath any eare/ whiche after the comon takyng of an eare/ hath an ear as well as barley or speltz hath. For Theophrast in hys eight booke de historia plantarum describeth iubam that is a mane/ such as he geueth vnto Rife mile and panik after thys maner. Effusam illam harundinaceam comam iubam appello: that is I call that Rife/ if the bushe or look that is stretched furth abroad / a mane/ so þe Theophrast meaneth that the hede of Rife is not properly to be called an ere/ because the cornes are so far from the straw. Thys is ones out of al dout/ that lolium and zea haue eares/ but Theophrast maketh Rife lyke vnto these two/ and not for the leues sake or þe straws sake / but only for the eares sake. Wherefore

Oriza.



fore Theophrast meaneth not that Rife is without all kynde of eare/ but that it hath no suche compact ere & growyng harde to the hede of the straw as other kyndes of corn haue / but louse and goyng abroad after the faishon of an horses mane. I saw Rife growyng in plenty besyde Mylane.

The vertues of Rife.

Rife norissheth menely/ but it stoppeth y belly/ Rife as Galene sayeth byndeth sumthing/ and that therefore it stoppeth the belly. Symeon Sethi writeth that Rife is hote in y first degre & dry in the second. Rife sayeth he prepared with milk maketh a man looke well/ and byngeth a good coloz/ and increseth sede.

Of the herbe called Osyris.



The herbe which is taken off y moste parte of lerned men to be Osyris/ is called of the apothecaries linaria/ because it is lyke vnto line or flax/ & in Duché it is named Kroten flachs/ that is tode flax. But all- though it groweth plentifully in England/ yet I neuer heard any English name for it. If there be no other name for it/ it may be called in Englishe linari or todes flax. Dioscorides describeth Osyris thus: Osyris is a blak lytle bushe/ beryng small branches/ toughe and hard to breke/ and in them grow four leues together/ or fyue/ or six lyke vnto lint or flax/ blak in the begynnynge/ & the coloz changed after wardes redishe. I know no herbe that agreeth better with the description of Osyris then linaria doth / yet for all that/ y certayn numbze of leues growyng together hyndereth it to be the ryght Osyris/ for our linaria hath the branches all full of leues without any certayn numbze growyng together/ & at no tyme redishe that I colde mark hitherto. Matthiolus writeth that sum iudge the fayr herbe that is called in Italian beluidere to be the ryght Osyris/ where vnto he semeth to consent. But at thys present I haue not y herbe/ wherefore I can not examin it with the description of Dioscorides/ and therefore can giue no iudgement in thys matter.

The vertues of Osyris.

Dioscorides writeth y the brothe of Osyris drunken is good agaynst y iaundes or guel sought. Galene writeth that Osyris hath a bitter qualite/ and therfore pour to open stoppynges/ so that it can hele the stoppyng of the lyuer.

Of Oxyacantha.



Oxyacantha whiche is named in Latin Spina acuta, is a tre lyke vnto a wilde pere tre/ very full of prickes/ but lesse. It byngeth furthe beries lyke Myrttilles/ full rede/ brekle/ & a kynel with- in a roote diuided many wayes/ which goeth depe into the grounde. Hytherto Dioscorides. The moste parte of lerned men in thys parte of Europa haue iudged of late yeres that our berberes should be Oxyacantha. But the description of Oxyacantha in all poyntes

Of Oxyacantha.

Berberis Oxyacantha.

Doth not agre wth our berberis. First our berberis bushe looketh not lyke a wilde pere tre/ for it is rather a bushe then a tre/ for in all the places that euer I saw it in/ it neuer rose vp to y^e bygnes of a tre. The berries of berberis and of the Myrt tre ar not in proportion & figure lyke. For the berberis beris ar great in the myddes & small at bothe y^e endes / after the manner of a lōg eg. Suche fashō of figure is not in a Myrt berry. Dioscorides semeth to geue one berry Dryacātha/ but one stone or kirkel/ but euery berri of berberis hath iiii. at y^e lesse/ where fore it is not lyke that our berberis should be Dryacantha. Thus muche I had marked before I saw Matthiolus. But after that I saw Matthiolus I learned of hym an other reson to proue that our berberis cold not be Dryacātha/ which was thys. Dioscorides describyng the former kynde of Mespilus or medler tre/ sayeth that it hath a lese lyke vnto Dryacantha. But the former kynde of Mespilus/ as Theophrastus witnesseth hath indented leues/ & in the vtter moste parte lyke vnto the leues of persely. But there is no lykenes betwene the leues of berberis & of persely: wherēfor berberis can not be Dryacantha. The forenamed Matthiolus holdeth y^e our haw tre or whyte thorne tre is Dryacantha. But when as our haw thorn tre leseth hys leues euery pere/ & Theophrast in hys first booke de historia Plantarū & in y^e xv. chapter reherseth Dryacantham amongst the trees y^e haue grene leues all the pere. I can not se how y^e our comō hawthorn shoulde be Dryacantha. Now that Matthiolus will answer to thys I can not tell/ but I haue no other shift sauing thys. In Summer set thysre about six myles from Welles/ in y^e parke of Gassenberry there is an hawthorne which is grene all the wynter/ as all they y^e dwell there about do stedfastly holde. If y^e Dryacantha be any kynde of hawthorn/ it must be y^e kynde which abydeth grene all y^e hole pere throw. But if that our hawthorne be not Dryacantha/ as I suppose playnly that it is a kynde of it/ it is Spina alba in Columella as God willyng here after I intend to proue.



The vertues of Oxyacantha.

The berries of Oxyacantha taken ether in meat or drynke/ stop y^e flux of the belly and the isshue of woemen. The roote of the same laide to emplasterwysse pulleth out prickes and shiuers.

Out of Galene in hys booke of simple medicines.

Oxya

Oxycanthos as it is a tre lyke vnto a wilde pere tre/ so it hath properties not vnlyke. But the fruite of the wilde pere tre is throw out byndyng and very tarte/ yet the fruite of Oxycantha is of fyne or subtile partes and a lytle cuttyng. But the fruite of thys tre is not lyke vnto the fruite of a wilde pere tre/ but lyke vnto myrttilles / that is to wet rede and thinne.

Oxis.



Of the herbe called Oxis.



Oxis/ as the moſte parte of lerned men iudge/ is y herbe whiche is called in Engliſh Alleluia/ becauſe it appereth about Eaſter when Alleluia is ſong agayn/ or wodoſore: but it ſhuld be called wodoſour or ſorell/ in Duch Haſen amper/ in Freche Dane de coqui. Pliny writeth thus of Oxis. Oxis hath three leues growing together. And further haue we of no other writer that I could yet ſe that telleth what Oxis is. By the name we may know that it muſt be ſour/ and by the forme or faſſhon three leued. Where vpon we gather that Oxis muſt be a ſour trifoly / and when as there is no trifoly that is ſour ſayuyng thys/ and Lotus vrbana / it can not be Lotus vrbana/ becauſe it groweth alwaies wilde in the woddess / and comonly about tre rootes/ we gather that thys Alleluia or wodoſour ſhoulde be Oxis in Pliny.]

The vertues of wodoſour out of Pliny.

Oxis is geuen vnto a flaſhe/ louſe or weike ſtomacke. They rat of it alſo that haue the burſtyng of the guttes. The practitioners of Germany write that the diſtilled water of Alleluia cooleth well & comforteth the hart/ and quencheth thirſt/ and that it is good in all hote diſeaſes and inflammations. They hold alſo that the diſtilled water of wodoſorel/ is good to be tempered with alum/ for the woundes and ſores of the mouthe.

Of the Date tre.



Alma is called in Greke Phenix/ in Engliſhe a Date tre/ in Duch ein Dattel baum/ in French vn Palme arbre.

The deſcription of the Date tre out of Pliny.

The countre of Jewry is honozably commended/ for nothyng more then

Of the Date tre.

for Date trees / of whose nature I will speake now. There ar certayn Date trees in Europa / and in many places of Itali / but they byng furthe no fruite. They bere fruite well in the see costes of Spayn / but vnplefant. The Date trees byng furth a swete fruite in Africa / but it vanissheth away by and by. But it chanceth contrary wyse in the Easte partes of the world / for there som peple make brede of Dates / and sum make wyne of them / & som nationes make fother for cattel of Dates. wherfore it shall be moste commendable to speke of them y are in strange & far cuntres. Ther groweth no Date tre of it self in Itali without setting or sowyn / nether in any other partes / but in a hote ground. But it byngeth furthe no fruite but in a burning hote ground. The Date tre groweth comonly in a lyght and sandy ground / & for the moste parte in a saltish or nitrishe ground. It loueth well watery places / & where as it is desyrus to drynk all the hole yere / it is moste desyrus in y drought or dry tyme of y yere. Sum iudge y dungynng hurteth Date trees. And sum of the Assyrianes reke that it is ill for the Date trees / if they be not set in watery places. There ar diuerse kyndes of Date trees. The first kynde exceedeth not y bygues of a bulshe. Thys kynde in sum places byngeth furth fruite / and in sum places it byngeth furth no fruite. And thys kinde is full of leues / & hath a round circle of branches growing about. Sum vse y branches & leues of these to couer walles w / agaynst y falling of water vpon them in many places of thys countre. The busshy lok / in y wild kynde is in y top / & so is the fruite / & not amongst the leues as it is in other kyndes. But thys wild kynd hath hys fruite / as it were many berries together in hys branches / among the smaller bughes / & is both of the nature of a grapi & of an apple. The leues haue the fashon of a sharppoynted knyfe / y sydes beyng deuyded & turned inwarde into them selues. They did shew at the first goodly perles / but now the leues ar vled to make bandes of to bynd bindes & to make ropes of. They ar also clouen & then ther ar made certayn lyght thinges of them / for shaddowynng of mennis hedes. Trees / ye all other thynges y euer the erthe byngeth furthe / ye euen the herbes also both the male & the female as the moste diligent serchers & markers of nature haue taughte in theyr wytynges. And thys thyng is in no tre more manifestly tryed then in Date trees. The male florisseth in hys branches / but y femal buddeth wout any flour / only after y maner of a thistel. In bothe the kyndes y fleshe of y fruite groweth before the stone / & that is y Date sede. And thys is proued to be so y ther ar found in the same branches litle ones wout any stones. But that is long & not rounde as the oliue stones be. It is also cut in the bak w a long rift or cleuyng after the maner of a pillow. And the moste parte haue a navel in the myddes of theyr bellies. And from that place cometh first furthe y it diuideth it self into a roote. It is best to saw it grouelyng. There must be euer two sett together / & as many about: for euery one sowē alone / should byng furth to weike a plant. Four of the grow together. The fleshe of y Date wareth rype in a yere. In certayn other places as in Cyprus allthough it com neuer to rypenes / yet it is swetishe with a plesant taste. And there is y lese broder / & the fruite is rounder the other be. Nether is it take y the body of it should be etē / but y iuice pressed out / & the other partes may be spitted out agayn. Date trees loue to be remoued. We haue saide befor y Date trees loue a saltishe ground. wherfore wher as there is none
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suche men strow salt there not euen vpon the rootes/ but a lytle further of. They be euen in the first yere/ anon after theyr plantyng. But in Cyprus and in Syria/ and Egypt/ som of them byng furth fruite when they ar iiii. yere olde/ and som when they ar fyue yere olde/ when it is of the hyght of a man. And as long as the tre is very yong/ the fruite hath no stone within him/ and therfore suche ar called geldynges. There ar many kindes of Date trees. When vse the barun trees for tymber/ in Assyria/ & all the lande of Persis/ and namely for the finest and perfitest workes. There ar also woddes of Date trees whiche vse to be cut down/ whiche spryng agayn of the rootes. And there is a swete mary or pithe in the top which they call the brayn. And when that is takē furth/ they liue still as other do not. There ar sum that ar called chame ropes/ and they haue a brode lese and soft. And they ar mooste mete to bynde byndes with. They grow plentuously in Cady/ but moze plentifully in Sicilia. The coles that ar made of the Date trees/ do ly lōg & are lōg in dymyng/ & the fyre thereof/ is a very slow fyre. There ar sum Date trees in whose fruite is a stone bowyng after y^e fasshon of an half moon. And thys sum polishe with a toothe with a certayn religion/ agaynst forspekyng and bewitchyng. There is one kynde of Date trees called Margarides/ & these ar shorte/ white/ rounde/ and moze lyke vnto round berries/ the to acornes/ by reson where of they haue theyr name of perles. Som say that there is a kynde of them/ Inchoza/ and also that there is one of them/ which ar called Syagri. Where of we haue hearde a grete wonder/ that is to wete/ that that same kynde dieth & lyueth agayn by it self/ as the byrd called Phenix dothe/ whiche is supposed to haue receyued hyr name of thys kinde of Date tre/ for the cause aboue rehered. And whille as I wrote these thynges that ye now rede/ it brought furth fruite. The fruite of it is grete/ hard/ roughe & illfaored to looke to/ and differeth from all other kyndes by a wild rammysh and rank taste that it hath. The which same thynges we haue almoste perceyued to be in boxes/ and thys is the mooste euydent cause of the name of it. There ar other Dates that grow about the hygher partes of Ethiopia/ called cariote/ which haue in them muche meate and muche iuice/ where of the men of the Caste/ make their chese wines. But they ar euil for the head/ where of they haue theyr name. But as there is grete plenty/ and the ground bereth very many/ so mooste excellēt & noble Dates grow in Jewry/ & not euyr there/ but mooste about Jerico. There ar sum kyndes of Dates called dactyli/ and they ar of the dryer sorte/ and they ar long and small and somthyng croked. Dates in Ethiopia ar broken into pouder (such is the drought there) and after the maner of mele they ar thicked vp and of them brede is made. The Date there/ groweth in a bushe that hath branches/ a cubit long/ a brode lese/ a round fruite/ but greter then an apple/ they call them tycas. They war ripe in thre yeres/ and there is allwayes one Date vpon the bushe/ & other groweth vnder the same. They ar fittest to be kept that grow in saltishe and sandy groundes/ as in Jewry and in Africa about Syrene. But they can not be kept in Egypt/ Cyprus/ Syria/ Seleucia/ & therefore they fede swyne and other bestes with them. Many of Alexandres souldyers was strangled with grene Dates. And that chanced in Gedrosia by a certayn kynde of fruite/ but in other places it chanceth by the reson of the grete plenty. The leues of the Date tre neuer fall of.

Of the Date tre.

Out of Theophrastus.



The Date tre is allwayes grene/and the leues haue the fasshon of a redis lese. It desyreth a saltishe and a sandy ground and of ten waterynge/ and aboue all thynges oft to be remoued. If ye will sow Dates/ye must bynde two together/ and other two together about the first cople/ and lay them all grouelynges toward the ground. And as soun as they begyn to com furthe/ the rootes fold in one about an other/ & so grow together that they make but one tre. And thus do they because if one were alone/ y tre wold be to weike. When it is first remoued and transplanted/ and also euery tyme afterwarde/ men vse to cast salt about the rootes of the yong Date trees. If a Date tre be topped or lopped it will lyue no longer after.

Out of Plutarch.



The wod of the Date tre/ if ye lay a weight vpon it/ and therewith laboꝝ to presse it down/ yet it wil not bow downwarde/ but it boweth in to the contrary/ as thoughe it withstod the burden/ that violently pressed it. The very same thyng doutles chanceth in the tryng of mastries/ vnto wrestlers/ & championis/ for they bow down them by pꝛ-spyng/ which by dastardnes/ and weiknes of mynde gyue place vnto them. But they that continew māfully in that besynes/ go not only forwarde/ and increase in boldly streyngthe/ but also in wisdom of the mynde.

Out of Aulus Gellius.



Aulus Gellius also a famous wyter/ sayeth in hys thyrde booke notum atticarum, that the Date tre hath in it a certayn singulare/ and speciall properti that agreeth with the disposition and maner of valiant bold men/ for if ye lay/ sayeth he/ grete heuy weygghtes/ and presse and burden it so sore/ that it is not able to abyde the gretnes of the weyght/ it geueth no place noꝝ boweth downwarde/ but it ryleth by agayn/ agaynst the burden and loboꝝeth to grow vpyward/ & it boweth back warde. These places haue I gathered out of the moste ancient and worthiest wyters for theyr sakes/ to whome it belongeth to ope the scripture vnto the comon people/ because in diuerse places of the holy scripture/ & specially in the Psalter/ is mention made of the Date tre and diuerse examples ar fetched/ and mo may be fetched out of the nature of the same tre.

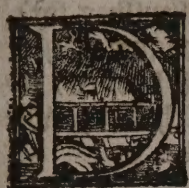
The vertues of the Datetre



The Date tre is sour/ tart/ and byndyng. It is good to be dronken in tart byndyng wyne agaynst the flux and isshue that weome haue. It stoppeth the emꝛodes. If it be layd to/ it heleth by woundes. Grene Dates bynde more then they that ar dry. They ingendꝛe hede ache. If they be taken plentuously in meat they make them that eat them dronken. The dry fruite of the Date trees/ ar good to be eatē of them that spit blood/ or ar diseased in the stomak/ and of them that haue the bloody flux. They ar good to be layd to with an oymntment made of quinces and of the floures of the wilde vinde/ for the diseases of the blader. Dates if they be eaten/ they
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ar good for the harrishenes or roughnes of the throte. The stones of dates burned in an vnbraked pot/ & quenched with wyne/ if the allhes be burnt/ will serue in the stede of Spodium.

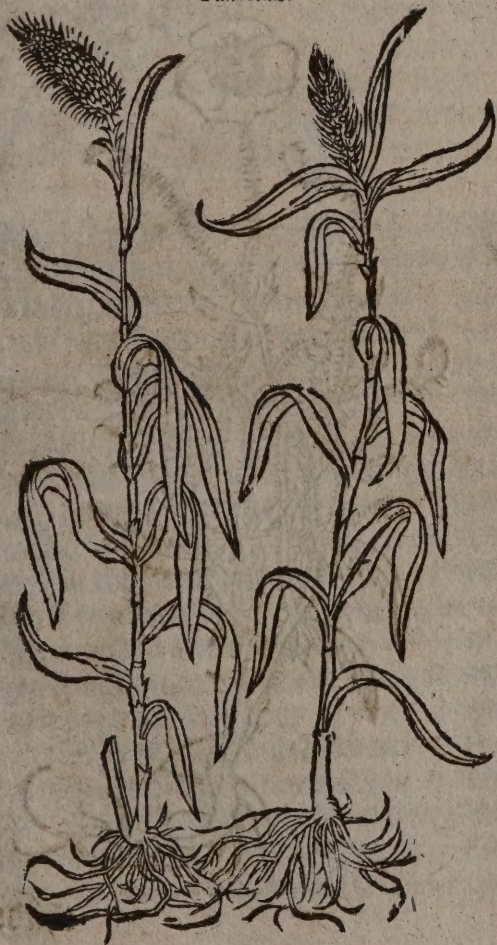
Out of Galene.



Yes if they be taken in grete plenty at harde of digestion/ and hyede the hede ache. The iuice that is made of them which is caried in to the body/ is grosse. The muche vse of dates stop the milt/ and the lyuer/ and they ar euel for them that haue any inflammation or hard swellng in the body.

Dates as Simeon Sethi writeth/ ar hote in y second de- gre and moyst in the first. Besyde the incommodities that Dioscorides and Galene write to com of Date/ the fornamed Sethi/ saith that Dates fill y stomach full of wynde/ and that they ar hurtfull for the that haue euel gou- mes/ or ar disposed to the squinsey/ the eyflore/ and to the tooth ache. Where- fore our swete lipped Londoners & wanton courtiers/ do not wysely to suf- fer so many dates to be put in to theyr pyes/ and other meates/ to the grete charge of theyr purses/ and to no lesse vndoyng of the helth of theyr bodies.

Panicum.



Of Panik.



Anicum is named in Greke αλνμος & μελίνος, in frenche panik/ in Duch fench or fenich/ or heydelfenich. But it hathe no name in En- glish yet/ but it may well be called pa- nick after y Latin. Panik hath leues lyke vnto a rede when it commeth first furth. Afterward it hath a long stalk or straw full of ioyntes. And in the toppe groweth a long thyng lyke an ear/ which is all full of litle pelow sedes/ as litle as som mustarde sede/ but not so rounde. Panik groweth plētuously in Italy and in hygh Ger- many & in som gardines of Englād. Theophrast writeth that Panik if it be much watered/ that it will be sweter/ & he sayeth that Millet and Panick because they ar couereth w many cootes/ and are dry/ will dure wel when they ar layd vp.

The vertues of Panik.

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Of diuers kindes of Poppy.



Dioscorides writeth þat Panick hath the same vertue þat Millett hath; but that it nourisheth & byndeth lesse. Galene sayeth þat panick is of the kynde of pulles / and in lykenes lyke vnto millet / and also in vertue of small nourishmēt / and dry. It stoppeth also after hym the flyt of the belly as millet doth / and if it be layd without / it dryeth & couleht. Constantinus in hys booke of husbādry sayeth that panick and millet make feldefayres & thrushes fat / if they be fed there wth / & small byrdes ar muche desyrus of the same. wherfore if any man were desyrus to fat or fede in cages any small byrdes / it were good to sow good plenty of panick & millet to fede and fat them therwth.

Of diuerse kyndes of Poppy.



Papauer is named in Greke *μυκωρ* in English poppy or chesboule / in Duch maglamen / in frenche pavot. There ar diuerse kyndes of poppy. The first kynd is called in Greke *μυκωρ ἡμερος* / in Latin papauer satiuū / in English whit poppy or gardin poppy. Thys kynd hath a long hede and a white sede / as Dioscorides sayeth & moze ouer a whyte flour. The second kynde of poppy is wyld and it hath a hede sittynge as Dioscorides wyrteth and blak sede in it. There is yet þ

Papauer erraticum primum.

Papauer erraticum alterum.



thirde

*Papauer sativum purpureum.**Papauer corniculatum luteum.*

thynde kynde that is wilder and more apoynted for physik/ and longer then the other/ and it hathe a long hede. There is also the fourth kynde where of Dioscorides writeth in a severall chapter alone. And it is called papauer erraticū/ in Latin/ in Greke rheas because y flour falleth away hastily. Thys kynde is called in English cornrose or redcornrose/ and with vs it groweth much amongst the rye and barley. Dioscorides describeth it thus. It hathe leues lyke rocket/ or organ/ or cicori/ or thyme/ but longer diuyned/ and rougher. The stalk is rysshye/ streyght/ a cubit long/ and sharpe. The flour of it is lyke vnto wilde anemone/ of a cremisin color/ som tyme whyte. The hede is lōg but lesse then it of anemone. The sede is rede. The roote is long somthyng whyte/ of the thyknes of one litle finge/ of a better tast. Besyde all these kyndes there is an other kynde mucche differyng from all the rest: It is named in Greke *μικρὸν κεραιτῆς*, in Latin *corniculatum papauer*, in Duche gel maglam/ or gehoeinter mag samen. It may be named in Englishe horned poppy or see poppy/ or yelow poppy. It groweth very plētuously about y see syde in England both besyde Douer & also in Dorset shyre/ & in many other places of England. Dioscorides describeth horned poppy thus. Horned poppy hath whyte leues/ rougher and lyke vnto malled/ indented about the edges lyke wyld poppy. The stalke is not vnyke the same. The flour is yelow. The sede vessell is lyke fenegreke/ and boweth inwarde lyke an horn.

Locality

glaucum

Of Poppy.

horne/whereupon it hath the name. It hath a small blak sede lyke vnto poppy. The roote is blak and thyeck/ and it groweth not depe in y^e grounde/ but in the ouerparte of it. It groweth about the see syde and roughe places.

The vertues of the gardin or whyte Poppy.



The comon nature of all kyndes of poppy is to coole: wherefore if the hedes and leues be boyled in water/ will make a mā slepe if hys hede be bathed there with. The brooth is good to be drowken agaynst to much wakyng and want of slepe. The hedes broken with perched barley and mended with emplasters ar good for inflamationes both cholerik and other. The grene hedes must be brayed and fasshoned in to litle cakes and dyed and layed by vntill nede shall requyre the vse of them. The hole hedes ar sodden in water alone/ vntill the half be sodden away/ and then afterwarde the brothe is sodden agayn with hony vntill the hole broote be commed vnto the thynnes or toughnes of an electuari. Thys medicine is good for the coughe/ y^e catar that floweth into the pyppes/ and for the diseas of rynnynge of the belly. But the medicine will be muche stronger if ye put vnto it hypoquistida & acaciam. It is good to drink y^e sede of black poppy broken/ with wyne agaynst the syr of y^e belly/ and also agaynst wymens isshues. It is also good to lay to the temples and for hede of hym that can not slepe. The iuice of blak Poppy called Opium cooleth more/ thicketh more/ and dzieth more: if it be taken in the quantite of a bitter sich/ called eruum or ozobus: it swageth ach/ and bryngeth slepe/ it helpeth them that haue the syr. But if a man take to muche of it/ it is hurtfull/ for it taketh a mannis memori away and killeth hym. It is good to be poured vpon a mannis hede with rose oyle for the hede ach. With almond oyl it is good to be poured in to the eares/ with myr and safron for the ach of them. With the yoke of an eg hard roasted/ it is good for the inflammationes or burnynges of the eyes. With vinegre it is good for the cholerik inflammation called erisipelas/ it healeth woundes also. With womans milke it swageth the payn of the gout. If it be put in to the fundament after the maner of a suppositozi it bryngeth slepe.

The vertues of Poppy out of Galene.



The sede of the gardin Poppy is good to be mended with bred to season it. But the whyte is better then the blak. The proprieti of it is to coole/ and therfore it stirreth a mā to slepe. But if ye take it out of mesure/ it will bryng the dull sleping called cataphoria/ & it will be hard to digest. It stoppeth those humores that ar spitten out with coughynge out of the breste & lunges. The vse of it is very good for that haue a subtil and thinne moysture flowyng out of theyr hedes in to the partes that ar in vnder. Poppy geueth no spekeworthy nourishment vnto the body.

Out of the Arabianes.



Auerroes writeth that Poppy is cold and moyst / and that y^e whyte is colde in y^e thyrde degre / and that the blak is cold in the fourche/ and that the white bryngeth a pleasant slepe/ but that y^e blak is euell and maketh a dul or sluggish slepe.

Out of Symeon Sethy a later Grecian.

Symeon Sethy writeth y poppy is cold & dry in y first degre/ & that whyte poppi takē with hony increaseth sede. The same writeth that the blak is colder then the other/ & that opium is poyson. Wherefore men had nede to take hede how they occupy it. For allthoughe sum be very bold in occupying of it: I taught by experience how ieperdus it is/ dare not wout grete warnes geue it in to y body. For ones in East Frieslād/ when as I washed an achyng tooth w a litle opio mixed with water/ and a litle of y same bnawares went down: w in an hour after my handes began to swell about the wjestes/ and to itch/ & my breth was so stopped/ that if I had not taken in a pece of the roote of masterwurt/ called of som pilletory of Spayn with wyne/ I thynck that it wold haue kyled me.

The vertues of red corn rose.



If ye take v. or vi. hedes of rede cornrose/ & sethe them in iij. ciathes of wyne vntill the half be sodden away/ and geue thys vnto a man it will make hym slepe. An acetable of the sede sodde in mede or honyed water/ if it be dronken/ it will soften the belly gently. For the same purpose som vse to put the sedes in to honied cakes. The leues and hedes brused together ar good against inflamationes and burnynges. The same ar good to bath theyr temples w all that wold fayn slepe. A cyate where of I made mentiō before as Agricola de mēsuris & ponderibus writeth/ holdeth two vnces/ one dram and one scruple/ and an acetable holdeth two vnces and an half.

Matthiolus writeth that som vse to gather the floures of redcorn rose & to geue the pouder of them to thē that ar like in the pleuresi. Som also sayeth Matthiolus/ take the floures & make a Syrop of thē by puttyng thre or four tymes freshe figues in to warm water/ & afterward as much sugar as shall be enoughe to kepe y Syrop frō mouldyng. Which Syrop is very good for y aboue named diseas. He sayeth furthermore y about Trēt y peple taketh the yōg leues whē they com first furth & seth thē & make potage and gruel of thē/ & meng thē with butter & chese. Theophrast writyng of y same herb sayeth y it was vled in meat in hys tyme/ & y gathered somthyng grene it purgeth downward. If any mā were disposed to make a rede colozed butter & hollsom/ for the diseases aboue named: he may w greate profit meng the iuice of the redcorn rose floures with the butter/ the same put in to the chese/ wold coloz chese well & prouoke a mā to slepe. The iuice of y leues mixed w butter or chese will mak thē grene/ & profitable for y purposes before named.

The vertues of horned Poppy.



The root of horned poppy sodde in water vntill the half be sodden away and then dronken/ healeth the sciatica/ and the disteases of the lyuer. It is also good for them that pisse out with theyr water τραχέα καὶ αραχνώδη, that is roughe thynges & like vnto spyders or spinners. The sede taken in the quantite of an acetable with mede louseth the belly gently. But to muche of thys is very ieperdus/ wherefor I counsel all men that they be not to bolde in vsyng of it/ when as the same help that it byngeth/ may be had of other diuerse gentle medicines with out all ieperdy.

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Remede.

Of diuerse kindes of Poppy.

Remedies agaynst the poyson of Opium



Because me in extreme aches and paynes ar by extreme nede of times cōpelled to flie for help to the vse of Opium & it hath so muche ieperdy as is before sayde, it is nedefull that we haue in a redynes som remedy agaynst suche ieperdy. Therfore I intend to tell both the tokens and remedies agaynst the poyson of Opium. These ar the tokēs where by a mā may know who is poysoned with opium. He that hath eaten opium hath a great sluggishnes and a disposition to slepe/ and all the body is combed with a sore iche. The remedies agaynst the poyson of opium ar these. First if any man haue drōken opiū ye must prouoke hym to vomit wth the drynkyng of warme oyle/and ye must serue vnto hym a sharp clyster. For the same purpose oxymel that is honied vinegre/ is very good to be drōnkē with a litle salt. Hony wth rose & strong wyne drōken with wormwood or cinnamū ar also good. It is also good to drynck peper wth castorio which is y^e cod of a beuer in honied vinegre. If the patient be to much slepi/ put styngkyng thynges vnto hys nose to waken hym therewith. If that hys ich continew still/ put hym in to a bath of warm water. After the bath it is good to geue hym fat meates & Maluesey or such lyke hote wyne. And these remedies ar not only good agaynst Opium/ but agaynst the hurt that cōmeth by takyng of any kynde of poppy/ or any other medicine of the same natur that they ar of.

Of Feuerfew. J.



Artheniū as Dioscorides sayeth called of som Amarracus hath thin leues lyke vnto Coriandre. The flour is yelow in y^e part y^e goeth about y^e yelow knop. It hath a smel sumthyng greuous/ & a bitter taste. If it be dried & drōken with honied vinegre or salt/ it purgeth choler and fleme/ as epithymum dothe: and it is a good remedy for them y^e ar shortwynded/ and for them that ar greueth with melancholi.

Hermolaus Barbarus and Ruellius with diuerse other great lerned mē/ do iudge y^e the herbe which is called of y^e apothecaries matricaria/ in English Feuerfew/ in Dutch metterkraut or metter/ is partheniū in Dioscorides. But Antonius Musa som tyme my māster in Ferrara/ & Leonardus Fuchsius my good frende in Germany/ hold y^e Feuerfew is not Partheniū/ but the herbe which we call madenwede or mathwede. But though they ar both my frēdes/ yet I will hold wth y^e truche rather thē wth thē/ whē as I iudge that they hold not with it/ as I thynck they do in thys opinion. Fuchsius resoneth agaynst the opinion of Ruellius thus. Feuerfew hath not the small leues of Coriander/ but the broder leues of the same/ and therfore/ matricaria is not parthenim. Wherevnto I answer y^e indede Coriander hath ij. kyndes of leues/ som metely brode benethe/ & som very small aboue. But I can not se one worde of autorite/ or one good argument that Fuchsius hath brought to proue hys sayng y^e by the leues of Coriandre ought to be vnderstand the small leues of Coriander/ and not the broder leues. For it that he alledgeth out the Greke text proueth nothyng it y^e he intendeth. I grant y^e Dioscorides sayeth φύλλα έχει ὁμοία κορίαν λεπτά, and not συλλα έχει φυλλοῖς κορίου λεπτοῖς ὁμοία, as Fuchsius semeth to vnderstand Dioscorides.

for

Parthenium I.

Parthenium II.



For thys worde λεπτοϋ in Dioscorides betokeneth not alwayes it is narrow & small but oft tymes it betokeneth it that is not depe nor thyk but it is thin althoughe it be brood. For Dioscorides writeth it is an arbut tre / or herbe called teucriū / & hedera helix haue φηλλα λεπτα. But all men know these places / know well that theyr leues are metely brode / for teucriū hath a lefe lyke vnto a ciche: the arbut tre hath leues almoste as byg as a quince tre / & y nether hedera helix nor any of y other aboue named is any thyng at all lyke vnto y smallest leues of coriander but much broder then the brodest leues of coriander. Therfor fuchsius hath proued nothyng by thys worde leptā. The argument also that he byngeth of the placynge of partheniū amongst the herbes y haue litle small narrow leues / is not sufficient to proue hys purpose. For if the herbes y are next together described were alwayes lyke in leues: then shuld Peoni / Grummel & Phalaris haue lyke leues / for they are described together. But theyr leues are not lyke / therfor the argument foloweth not. And as for the argument y he maketh of the bastard names y are falsely stopped into Dioscorides / it must nedes be suche argument as the truthe is of the setting in of such false names: where in when as y truthe is not / who will grant in thys mater the argument of fuchsius to be true. To his last argument where he resoneth that none of the later / writers hath geuen any purgynge vertue vnto Matricaria / & Partheniū purgeth / ergo it is not Parthenium: I answer that / as the later writers haue founde by experience a purgynge vertue

Of Parthenium.

bertu in diuerse herbes where of is found no mention in the old wryters/ so haue the old autores gyuen vnto diuerse herbes a purgynge vertue/ whiche herbes as the later wryters neuer knew/ so haue neuer proued wheter they haue any purgynge vertue or no. For if the later wryters wold haue proued/ wheter matricaria purgeth or no: they myght haue found that it doth so. For this am I sure that matricaria purgeth/ namely weyke persones that ar weik persones. For vpon a tyme when I was with a like woman in East Friesland/ and the present necessite required purgation/ and there was no potecaries shop at hand/ (for there is but one citie in all East Friesland where there ar any potecaries in/ and that is called Emden) I went into the gardin and found there feuerfew in good plenty/ where of I tooke an hādful and put it in to water & sod it/ and after that I had made y broth drynkable with a litle hony/ & had geue hyr it/ doutles with in a few houres after she had the metely good stooles of the broth of that herbe. Wherefor I am sure that it purgeth weik folk/ allthoughe it woorketh nothyng or very litle in them that ar lusty and strong as I haue proued also. Therefore I se nothyng that hetherto berout that hyndereth feuerfew to be parthenium.

The vertues of Feuerfew.



The herbe without the flour is very good to be dronken of the y ar short winded/ & also of then that haue y stone. The broth of the herbe is good to sit in for weome that haue the hardnes of y mother/ and agaynst inflāmatyones or burnyng heates. With the flour it is good to lay it vnto cholerick inflāmatyones/ and to such gatheringes of humores together. Sum leared men not without a cause iudge that our talsey is a kynde of parthenium. The vertues where of ar these. Talsey is good for the wyndenes of the stomacke and belly/ wherefore it was well diuised of Philicianes of old tyme/ that after Easter men shuld vse talseyes to dryue away the wyndenes y they haue gottē all the lent befoze with eatyng of fish/ peasen/ beanes and diuerse kyndes of wynde makynge herbes/ where of they make at that tyme theyr sallettes. But if men wold folow my counsell/ they shuld vse talsey all the lent throw/ & not after Easter alone. And the shuld they fewer be hurt with the colik and stone/ that vse comonly to be hurt there by. The same talsey is good for the stone/ to prouoke water and to kill wormes in the belly. The new wryters hold that talsey is better for men/ and that feuerfew is better for weomen.

Of the gardin and wilde carot.



Alstinaca is called in Greke σαφιλιον, & as I iudge in English a carot in Duche geel ruben/ and in frēche pastenad/ as Rembertus writeth. Dioscorides describeth not y gardin carot but the wilde carot. After thys maner. The wilde carot hathe the leues of gingidij/ but broder & somthyng bitter/ a streyght stalk/ ke/ roughe/ a spoky or beamytop lyke vnto dill where in ar whyt floures & in the

Pastinaca I.

Pastinaca II.



Pastinaca ca.

the myddes is a certayn purple thyng/almoste resembling saffrō. The root is a finge thick & a span long/ haupng a good smell/ which bseth to be eatē. Thus far hath Dioscorides wrytten. Hytherto haue I found no man that hath denied that the wild carot is pastinaca sylvestris. whiche thyng is a very great furtherance for my purpose that I go about/that is y the garden or sowē or manered carot is y right pastinaca sylvestris. But Matthiolus a man otherwyse well sene in symples erryng very far from the truthe/will haue our comon persnepe to be pastinacā noth withstandyng y he grāteth that our wild carot is the ryght pastinaca sylvestris. In doynge where of he condēneth hys owon opinion. For if wilde carot be pastinaca sylvestris/then must pastinaca hortensis haue sum lyknes in leues w the wilde/ except som autor exprestly declare y y wild or other kynde is altogether vnlyke y garden or communer kynde as Dioscorides doth in brasicā marina/and Paulus Egineta in hys kynde of betony. But when there is no such exceptiō or exprested difference made of any good wyter betwene pastinacā sylvestre & domesticā pastinacā/ there ought to be som lyknes betwene the leues of the one & the other. But there is no lyknes at all betwene the leues of wilde carot & the comō persnepe/therefore Matthiolus erreth in makynge the persnepe to be the garden pastinaca/ when as in very dede the garden carot is y ryght pastinaca hortensis. As y wild carot is found abrode in y felde lyke

unto the garden carot in leues/taste & smell/ even so is there found a wilde kynde of persnepe like unto y garden persnepe/ both in leues/ sede/ rote/ smell & taste. Thys wild persnepe groweth plētuously besyde Cābyrdge in a lane not far fro Newnā Milles. It groweth plētuously also in Germany besyde Wormes/ and I dout not but it groweth in many other places both in England & Germany/ and peraduentur in Itali also/ thoughē Matthiolus neuer saw it nor marked it: which if he had sene & well considered/ he wold not haue erred as he hath in pastinaca hortensi. He confuteth the opinion of Ruellius/ whych Fuchsius/ Rembertus & I hold alltogether/ only w merue lyng & w sayng that he hath not sene nether in y wyptynges of y Grecianes nor Arabianes/ y pastinaca domestica shoulde haue such a rede or sanguin color as the carottes haue. But I thynk he hath red/ y allthoughē he haue forgotten it. for Theodorus Gaza a learned mā both in Greke & in Latin/ and an excellent translator/ whome I dout not but he hath red translatyng y xv. chapter of Theophrast de historia plantarū. where as he reherseth Theophrastus wordes/ speketh after thys maner. Nascetur apud eos vterq; elleborus, videlicet albus & niger, isem pastinaca, specie lauri, colore croci, & in y sam chapter. Pastinaca in patrēsi agro prestantior ceteris huic vis calfactoria, & radix nigra. Symeō Sethi also a Grecian as he is trāslated/ makethe one kynde of pastinaca to haue blak oz rede rootes/ & an other kynde with yelow rootes. If any man suspect the translator/ the wordes of Symeon in Greke ar these: τα δευθετα των οχρω κρειττονα. If y the trāslator be suspected agayn for turnyng daukia into pastinacas/ where hath any man red in any other Grecia oz Latin autor/ that Daucus hath rede & yelow rootes. If that cā not be founde in any good autor/ Daukia ar well translated pastinace. Therefore there is no cause why/ but that our comon garden carrot shulde be pastinaca satina.

The vertues of bothe the carotes out of Dioscorides.



He sede of wild carot/ dronken oz layde to in a conuenient place byngeth down floures. It is good to be taken in drynk of them that can not easely make water. It is also good for the dropsey/ for the pleuresi if it be takē in drynk/ and so is it also good for the bytyng & styngyng of serpentes. Sum hold y if a man take thys afore hande/ that he shall not be bitten of serpentes. It is good for conceptiō. The roote dryueth out water/ & prouoketh men to the work of veneri. And if it be layd to the conueniēt place/ it helpeth to byng furth the childe that sticketh in the birthe. The leues broken and layd on with hony scour fretyng sores. The garden carot hath the same vertues/ but not so strōg/ & yet moꝝ fit to be vled in meat then the wilde one is.

Out of Galen de simplicibus medicamentis.



He garden carot is the weaker/ y wilde for all purposes is myghtier. The herb and specially y root & sede/ dryueth out water and floures. It hath also a certayn scouryng nature/ wherefore y Surgeanes vse to lay to fretyng sores the grene leues with hony to scour them.

Out of Galenes booke of the poures and properties of nourishmentes or meates.

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The rootes of carot/ daucus and carowayes ar bled comonly to be eatē/ but they noyshe lesse then rapes & aron of cyrendo. They heat notably/ and shew out a spicie thyng/ but they ar hard of digestion as other rootes be. They stir a man to make water/ and if they be bled in very great plēty they will make a metly euell iuice. The root of corowayes is of a better iuice then y carot is. Sum call the wilde carot Daucū/ which indede moueth a man to make water more myghtely/ but it is more medicinalable oz lyke a medicine/ and if a man wolde eat it/ he had nede to sethe it very muche. Aueroes writeth that the gardine carot is good for them that ar slow to the woꝝke of increasyng the world with chylde.

Of the herbe called Peplis.

Peplis.

Euphorbia
peplis

Peplis whome som call wild porcellayn/ & Hippocrates calleth peplis/ for the moſte parte groweth by the ſee ſyde/ it hath a brode ſhadowyng buſhe which is full of whyte iuice. The leues ar lyke vnto porcellayn/ rounde and rede benethe. Under the leues is a rounde ſede as there is in pleplo with a burnyng taſte. It hathe but one ſingle roote/ which is empty and ſmall. I haue ſene thys herbe in Ilandes about Uenis. It is very lyk vnto our Engliſh wart-wurth/ which is iudged of learned men to be tithimalus helioſcopius/ but
D iij it is

Of the herbe called Peplus.

It is much shorter & thicker / and spredeth it self vpon the ground / it may be called in Englishe see wartwort.

The vertues of Peplus.

Peplus taken in the quantite of an acetable with one cyate of mede / purgeth out choler and flemme: thys herbe haue I sene in an yland besyde Uenis.

Of the herbe called Peplus.

Peplos.



S. peplos



Peplus is a busshy herbe full of milky iuice / wth litle leues lyke rue / but a litle broder / wth a round bushe of herbes in y^e top / almoste a span lōg / spred vpon the grounde. The sede is roude & groweth vnder y^e leues sumthyng lesse thē whyte poppy sede. It is full of many helpes. It hath but one roote & that void nothyng worthe. It groweth amongst y^e bindes & in gardynes. I neuer saw thys herbe in any place sayng only in Bonony / where as my master Lucas aboue xvi. yeres shewed me with many other strange herbes which I neuer saw sence I cam out of Italy. I know no name for thys herbe but for lak of a better name / it may be called pety spourge. Thys herbe hath no other vertues as Dioscorides writeth then Peplus hath.

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Of Vuod bynde.

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P. richlyneum.



Lonicera periclymenum

Of Vuod bynde.



Periclymenon is named of the comon herbaries *matrisylua* in Englishe wodbynde or Honyfuckle in som places of Englād / & Duche men call it waldgilgen the frenche men call it cheure fueille. wodbynd doth bush vp in one stalk alone and hath litle leues whiche stande by lyke spaces one from an other / imbraynge the stalk / white in vnder lyke vnto Iuy. And ther grow litle twigges by amongst the leues where on grow berries lyke vnto Iuy berries. The flour is white like the faba floures / which men take for our beane / somthyng round / as thoughe it leaned down toward the leafe. The sede is harde / and not easye to be plucked away. The roote is round and thik. It groweth in felde and hedges / and windeth it self about busshes.

The properties of wodbynde.



If ye gather the sede of wodbynd when it is ripe / & dry it in a shadowy place / & will geue a dram of it in wyne for þ space of xl. dayes / it wil melt away þ mylt / dryue away werines / & it well be excellently good medicine for shortnes of wynde / & for þ hitchcough or piskynge. It will dryue furth water / but vpon the sixt day after the continual vse of it / it will

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Of the Great bur.

dryue out bloody water. The same is good for a womam that hath an hard laboring of childe. The leues haue the sam vertues. And som write that if a man drynk the leues xxxvij. dayes together/ that they will make hym that he shal get no mo childe. If ye seth the leues of wodbynd in oyle/ & anoynte them that haue the ague comming vpon them by certayn courses and comynnges about/ and they will ease them.

Lappa maior, Personatia.



Of the Great bur.



The great bur is named in Greke $\alpha\rho\eta\epsilon\iota\omicron\nu$, in Latin personata & not persolata/ of the comon herbaries lappa maior/ in Duche grosz kletten/ in frenche Gletteron. The bur hath leues lyke vnto a gourde but bygger/ rougher/ blacker and thicker. The stalk is som thyng whytish/ howbeit it is found som tyme w^o out any stalk at all. It groweth comonly about towne and villages/ about diches and hyghewayes & doug hylles & suche vile places.

The vertues of the great bur.



The roote of the bur taken with pinaple kirnelles/ in the quantite of a dram / is good for them that coughe out matter or fylthy gear/ or bloode. The roote is good to be layd to/ for the ach that commeth by the

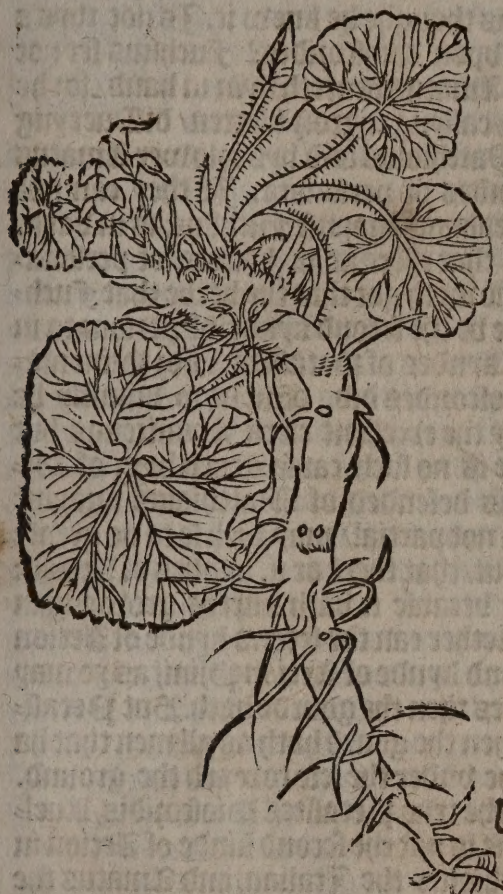
Of the herbe called Petasites.

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the wyntychyng or streuyng of any ioynte. The leues ar good to be layd vpon olde sores.

Of the herbe called Petasites.

Petasites.



Retasites hath soft stele or footstalk/ a cubit lōg and somtyme longer/ & it is of the thicknes of a mannis finger/ and in the top of it groweth a lefe which hath y^e fasshon of an hat/ & it hangeth down after the maner of a todestool. Dioscorides maketh no mention nether of the masterstalke nether of the flour of thys herbe/ but I haue sene bothe. In the myddes of Marche in watery groundes besyde riuerse/ and brookes that ryn all the year/ and ar not dry in summer: thys herbe byngeth first furth a short stalk/ where vpon grow many floures as they were in a cluster/ in coloz purple in whyte. After that the stalke and floures ar faided & gone away/ then com by the leues/ euen as it chanceth vnto the herbe which is called in Greke Bechion/ and in Latin Tussilago. It hath a grete and long bitter roote with a very strong smell. [Thys herbe is called in Northumbreland an Eldin/ in Cambridgeshyre a Butterbur/ in Duch Pestilētz wurtz.]

The vertues of Petasites.



Butterbur is good (as Dioscorides writeth) for fretyng sores & suche as ar extremely harde to hele/ if it be beten and layd to after the maner of an emplaster. The later writer and namely Hieronymus Tragus write that the root of thys herbe is good agaynst the pestilence. They gyue a litle of the pouder of thys herbes roote in wyne to the pacient/ about the quantite of a dram/ and prouoke hym to sweate there with/ which thyng it doth very myghtely. They vse the same roote beatē into pouder agaynst the stranglyng of the mother. They gyue it also both to men and beastes for wormes/ to weomen that ar bered with the byrthlyng of the mother/ and to any that ar shortwynded. The herbe is without all dout hote and drye muche aboue the second degre. Matthiolus without all reson or sufficient profe reproveth Ruellius and Fuchsius in the settingfurth of thys herbe/ worthy more to be reprovēd hym self for so vnworthely reprovynge of them. Amatus Lusitanus the ape of Matthiolus writeth much more vnlearnedly and more lyngly then Matthis.

Of the herbe called Peucedanum.

thiolus doth. For he writeth thus. We can not tell what *Petalites* is, if it be not a kinde of todestoole: *Ruellius* sayeth that it groweth in France. For the whiche *Fuchsius* in hys herbari hath set furth the greter / but which we haue in the last chapter before thys described. Mark how thys man sayeth he knoweth not *Petalites* / except it be a kinde of todestoole / & yet he named it in *Duche Pestilentz wurtz* / as though he knew it. Is not thys a worthy man to wyte commentaries vpon *Dioscorides*? *Fuchsius* set not out *Lappa maior* for thys herbe as *Amatus* beareth hym in hand / for he set out the ryght *αρκείον* or *personata* / calling it *groß kletten* / disseueryng it from *Petalites* many wayes. Let *Matthiolus* and hys folower *Amatus* proue that *Dioscorides* maketh ii. kyndes of *personata*. If they can not as I am sure / they can not all theyr speaking agaynst *Fuchsius* / is in bayn. *Matthiolus* alledgeth *Plini* to proue that there ar ii. kyndes of *personata*: well let it be so. Yet for all that it foloweth not that the herbe that *Fuchsius* setteth furth for *Petalites* / shoulde be the second kinde of *personata* in *Plini* / nor that *Dioscorides* maketh ii. kyndes of *Petalites*. For *Plini* maketh oft mo kyndes of herbes then *Dioscorides* did. But how vniustly he maketh ii. kyndes of *Arcion* / not only the excellent clerk *Leonicenus* / but all other learned men may se that there is no such cause geuen hym of *Dioscorides* to do. How well that *Plini* is defended of *Matthiolus* agaynst *Leonicenus*. All men that ar learned & not partial / may well se to no greate honestie of *Matthiolus*. But the case put / that there ar ii. kyndes of *Arcion*: the first can not be *Petalites Fuchsi* / because it hath burres growyng in y top as *Petalites Fuchsi* hath not. Nether can the second kinde of *Arcion* of *Plini* be *Petalites Fuchsi* / for y second kinde of *Arcion Plini* as ye may rede playnly in *Plini* / hath blacker leues then the gourde hath. But *Petalites Fuchsi* / hath much whyter leues then the gourd hath as all men that haue sene them can iudge / namely bene the vnder the lese toward the ground. Therefor *Petalites Fuchsi* which is the true *Petalites Dioscoridis* / *Ruellius* / and *Kembertes* *Petalites* and mynie is not the second kinde of *Arcion* in *Plini* / for all the gaynsaying of *Matthiolus* the Italian / and *Amatus* the Spanyarde / who wold face out learned men wth stout checkes without any sufficient profe or learned argument / not only in thys herbe / but in diuerse other.

Of the herbe called Peucedanum.



Peucedanum is named in Greke *πευκεδάριον* in *Duch* *Har strang* / and because we haue no other name for it in English that I know as yet / it may be called in Englishe also *Har strang*.

Peucedanum putteth furthe a small stalk and wetke like vnto fenel / it hath a thick and plenuous bushe / besyde the grounde a yelow flour / a blak roote / of a greuous smel / thik & full of iuice. It groweth in shaddowe hylles. Thus far *Dioscorides*.

But I haue sene it growing not only in shaddowe hilles / as at *Erenfels* in Germany where as I saw it first / but also in watery myddowes besyde *noymes* / and also in dry myddowes / but within the bryth of the *Rhene* / I hear say that it groweth also in England / and I found a roote of it at *saynt Vincens*.

Vincentis rock a litle from Bistow.] But it was nothyng so great as it of Germany.

The vertues of Harstrang.



MEn vse to cut the roote with a knyfe/ & to gather a rynnyng iuice out of it/ & to lay it & droppeth out / by & by in & shaddow: for it will melt in the sun. But it will make hys hede ache and be dusy/ that gathereth it/ except a man anoynt hys nolethylles before with roseoyle/ and pour not som rose oyle vpon hys hed before. The roote is nothyng worthe after that the iuice is drawen furthe of it. There may be taken out of the stalke and roote/ both a iuice by gasshyng and an other by pressyng/ as is taken out of Mandrag. But it & droppeth furth by gasshyng/ is not so strong as it that is drawe out by pressyng/ and it saydeth away souner. There is also founde a thyng lyke rosin/ or frankincense/ cleuyng vnto the stalk and roote. Of the iuices that commeth out of the root by gasshyng it / is best that groweth in Sardinia & Samothracia/ that is of a greuous smell/ rede and hetynge the tong. The same is good to be layd to with vinegre and roseoyle / agaynst the drouley and forgetfull enel/ for the dusynes of the hede/ for the fallynge siknes/ and for the olde hedeache/ for the sciatica and for the cramp. And in all diseases of the synewes it is good to be layde to/ with oyle & vinegre. If a woman be strangled with the vprysyng of the mother/ it is good to smell it/ and so it calleth them agayn/ that ar brought in to an extreme depe slepe. The smoke of it dryeth away venemus bestes. It helpeth the ach of the eare if it be poured in with rose oyle. It is good to be put in to the hollow tothe agaynst the tothache. The same taken with an eg/ is good for & coughe. It is also good for them that ar shortwynded/ and for all gnawynge & wyndy passionnes and grefes. It softteneth the belly gently/ and wasteth away & gret swelled milt. It is an excellent remedy agaynst an hard and long laborynge of chyld. If it be dronke it is good for the ach and outstretchyng of the blader and kyddenes. It openeth also the mother. The roote is good for the same purposes/ but it is not so myghty. The broth is also dronke. The same broken scoureth stynkyng and foul sores/ and dryue the scales of bones/ and couereth sores with a skin. It is vled to be meged with tretes and softtenyng plasters that hete. We must chuse it that is freshe not freted with gnawynge/ sound/ and it & hath a great smell. The iuice must be resolved or melted for drynkes w bit- ter allmondes or hote bred or rue. Galene writeth that the iuice & is drawen out by gasshyng or cuttyng/ is stronger then that which is pressed out/ and he sayeth that the roote is fully hothe in the second degre/ and dye in the begynnyng of the thirde degre.

Of bothe the kyndes of Peonye.



PCony otherwylle called in Greke Glycysside/ and of som Pento boron/ hath a stalk two spannes long. It hath many bysprou- tynges. The male hath leues lyke vnto a walnut tre leues. But the femal hath clouen leues lyke Smyrniū. It byngeth furthe certayn coddess in the top of the stalk like vnto allmon- des. Which whē they ar opened/ haue many litle granes rede in coloz lyke vnto the kirkelles of a pomgarnat/ and in the myddes there ar blak/

Of bothe the kyndes of Peonye.

blak/purple fiue or six. The roote of the male is a finger thick / and a span long / byndyng in taste / and whyte in coloz. To y^e roote of the female grow certayn thynges lyke acornes vij. or viij. in numbze / suche as the ryght Affodill hath. [The femall is comon thowout all England & Germany / and in diuerse places of Englad / and in som partes of Brabāt / as in Peter Coddenberges gardin in Anwerp the male groweth also. But I could neuer se it in hygh Germany. The farest y^e euer I saw / was in Newberri in a ryche clothiers gardin. Diuerse haue bene soze deceyued in takyng the comon dictamum for Peonia mascula.

The vertues of bothe the Peonies.



The roote of Peoni is geuen vnto weomen that ar not purged after theyr delyuerance. If it be dronken in the quantite of an almond / it will byyng down to weomen theyr floures. And if it be dronken with wyne / it will ease the payn of the belly. It is also good for the iaundes / for the payn in the kydnes and in the blader. The same sodden in wyne and dronken stoppeth the belly: but ten or twelue rede granes or cornes of the sedes / dronke in rede tarte wyne / stopp the rede issues of weomen. The same if they be eaten / help them that haue the gnawynge of the mouth of theyr stomackes. But if childer eat them / they will take away the begynnyng of the byedyng of the stone. And if one take xv. of the blak cornes and drynk them in mede or wyne / they ar a good remedy agaynst the stranglyng of the ryght mare / and agaynst the stranglyng and paynes of the mother.

Out of Galene.



The roote of Peoni byndeth a litle with a certayn sweetenes / and if ye will chow it a litle moze with your tethe / ye shall perceyue that it is somthyng bytyng and bitter. Therefore if ye take the quantite of an almod of it with honied wyne / it will byyng down floures. But in dede ye must bete it well and sift it diligently / & so cast the pouder in to y^e drynke. It scoureth also the kydnes / and the lyuer that is stopped. It hath pour also to stop / if it be sodden with sum tarte and byndyng wyne. The roote hath also a dryng poure. By reson where of I wold not dout / but y^e if it be hanged about childers neckes / it wold hele in them the falllyng siknes. I saw ones a boy delyuered viii. monethes from y^e falllyng siknes / by the hangyng of the roote about hys neck: and when as by chance it fell of / he fell into the siknes agayne / and the same after the roote was hanged by agayn / he was well agayn. But I thought for a surer tryall to take the roote ones agayne / & as soun as I had take y^e roote of agayn / he fell streyght way into hys olde siknes. But then I tooke a greate roote & tyed it tho y^e boyes neck agayn / and after that tyme he fell no moze / but was quite delyuered of that siknes. Thus far Galene. Thys that Galene proued in one childe / I haue proued in two childer / y^e one where of dwelled in London & the other at Syon in my lord of Sommerettes house vnkle / & Protector to y^e most excellēt kyng Edward the sixt. But when as I proued the same in them that were of perfit age / allthoughe it dyd mucche good / yet it neuer wrought any such effect in them / as it dyd in the childe.



Phalaris putteth furth many small stalkes / out of small and unprofitable rootes. The stalkes are two handbredthes long / full of ioyntes / lyke strawes or redestalkes / muche lyke vnto the strawes of spelt. It hath a sede in bygnes of mil or millet / whyte in fasshon / somthyng long. The first tyme that euer I saw thys herbe / was in the cite of Come / where as y chefe Physiciane of y citi no lesse gentle then well learned shewed vnto me / and my felow master Johan Walker. Afterwarde I saw it in England take for mil for they that brought Canari burdes out of Spayn / brought of y sede of Phalaris also to fede them with. Where of when I sowed a litle / I found that it was the ryght Phalaris which I had sene in Itali before. I haue as yet heard no English name of Phalaris / but for lak of a better name it may be called pett panik / of the likenes that it hath with the ryght panik.

The vertues of Phalaris.



The iuice of Phalaris which is pressed out of the herbe when it is stamped throw water or wyne / if it be dronken it is a good remedy against the ache of y blader. But a spoon full of the sede of the same herbe / dronken in water is good for the same purpose. Other properties I fynde none in Galene the Dioscorides hath rehered. I haue found by experience y it is not only good to fede small birdes therewith / but that it is veri good for yong chickinges and hennies / to fat them with all / as som vse to fat capones in Italy with mil or millet.

Of the pulse called Phasiolus out of Dioscorides.



Phasiolus is wyndie and moueth or stirreth by wynde. And whē it is grene it softeneth the belly / & it is fit for vomitynge. Cornarius and Matthiolus make ij. kyndes of Phasiolus / & speciali Matthiolus / who sayeth that Smilar hortensis is the gardin Phasiolus / and the wild is the Phasiolus whiche is described in thys place of Dioscorides. And Cornarius to proue that Smilar hortensis & Phasiolus be all one / alledgeth the wordes of Aetius / which in dede sound as he meaneth. And Matthiolus sayeth further that Smilar hortensis & Dolichus in Galene / and in Theophrast / are all one. Allthough these great learned men and of no small autorite in theyr countres / where as they do dwell: yet in thys matter I do not agre with them. The first cause that maketh me dissent from them is thys / that Dioscorides vseth not in all hys booke that I remembre / to write in two chapters far one from an other / of any gardine and felde herbe or plant / but euer where as he maketh mention of the gardin herbe / he maketh mention also of the felde herbe in the same chapter or in the next folowying or there about. But he writeth of Phasiolus in the 101. chapter of the second booke / and he writeth of Smilar hortensis in the 140. chapter of the same booke. which thyng he wold not haue done accordyng vnto hys accustomed ma-

Phasiolus

Of the pulse called Phasiolus out of Dioscorides.

ner if he had thought them allone in kynde/ and to differ in no other thyng but in the place of growynge. If thys argument be not good/ the argumētes y Matthiolus maketh y secacul is not eringium/ & that laurus Alexandrina & Hypoglosson/ ar not all one/ ar euel argumentes/ w all other y ar byl ded vpon y same fundation. An other cause is y the pulse y I take for Phasiolus in Dioscorides/ hath sede vtterly vnlyke vnto y sedes of Smilax hortensis. For the pulse y I take for Phasiolus/ hath a long whyte sede somthyng bowed in/ after y maner of som ioyners mallettes/ in fasshō & liknes lyke vn to a gray pease/ but smaller & longer/ w a blak spot in the end of it. The sede of gardin Smilax is lyke a flat kydney/ where fore euery man may se y they ar very vnlyke in form & fasshon. They say that Dolichus in Theophrast/ & Smilax hortensis/ & Phasiolus in Dioscorides ar all one/ whiche sayng if I can confute/ then haue I an other cause to dissent from them. Whiche thyng I trust to do after thys maner. Dolichus in Theophrast & Phasiolus in Galene will perishe & thriue euel if it be not vnder propped. But Phasiolus Dioscorides as I haue sene it by experiece my self in Lumbardy/ & Matthiolus confesseth the same: thriueth well inoughe without any vnder proppying as other pulses do. Therefore Phasiolus Dioscoridis is not all one w Dolichus of Theophrast/ & Phasiolus of Galen. The last cause y maketh me dissent frō them/ is that their own autozites whiche they bring for their purpose in som poyntes/ is quyte against them selues. For it is wryten in y chapter de Dolichis in Galene y by the autozite of Hippocrates/ y Dolichi ar lesse wyndier then peasen ar: ther is also Diocles alledged to say these wordes: Dolichi non minus quā Pīsa nutriunt, prāterea similiter flatu carent. That is/ Dolichi norishe no lesse then Peasen do/ & lyke wyle they ar wout wynde. Where as Aetius saiethe y Lobi were called of all old wryters Dolichi and Phaseoli/ & of som Smilax hortensis/ he hath these wordes: Nutriunt nō minus quā Pīsa, cōsimiliterq; flatu expertes sunt. That is/ Phaseoli gyue as muche nourishment as Peasen do/ and likewyle ar wout wynde. But phasioli Dioscoridis are not only windy/ but also stir by winde/ for these ar hys wordes: φασίολος φυσώδης πνευματώρ κινητικός. Therefore I may well cōclude y Phasiolus in Dioscorides & Phasiolus/ & Dolichus in Galene/ Aetius & Diocles/ ar not all one/ not only because they haue diuerse maners in growyng/ & diuerse liknes/ but also because they haue diuerse properties/ y is to wet/ y it of Dioscorides is wyndy/ & bredeth winde/ & y other ar flatuū expertes y is windlesse oz wout winde. Now let men of learnyng & iudgement gyue sentence/ whether I dissent frō these men before named without a cause oz no. Galene euen in y same place where as he maketh Dolichos & Phaseolos all one/ wout all dowt maketh two kyndes of Dolichus/ & so maketh ij. kyndes of Phaseolus: for where as he had sayd in y begynnynge almoste of the chapter after y autozite of Theophrast y Dolichi wil rott & com to nought/ except they be set by vpo proppes to hold them frō the ground/ in the very end of the same chapter he sheweth that ther is also an other besyde that/ which nedeth no vnder proppying. Galenis wordes as he is translated ar these: Quidam amicorum meorum Romæ agens, mihi narrauit in Caria, in patria sua quam Ceramum appellabat, in agris Dolichos non aliter quā alia legumina feri, figuram quā habere cicerculis longiorem. And these do I reken ar Phaseoly Dioscorides/ which differ much/ as sufficiently is proued befor/ frō Smilace hortensi/ not wstandyng I will not denye/ but other

other autores call that pulse that Dioscorides named Smilacem hortensem/ Dolichum & Phasiolum. Yet for all that Phasiolus in Dioscorides & Smilacem hortensis are two diuerse pulses. Phasiolus may be called in Englishe fasselles/ vntill we can fynd a better name for it.

Valeriana

Of the herbe called Phu.

Phu magnum.



Phu vulgare.



Of Serwall.



Phu is taken of the most parte of them that write of herbes at this tyme/ and of them that haue writen of late/ to be the herbe which is called of the comon herbaries/ Valeriana maior, of the Germanes/ baldrian oder gross baldrian/ of our countre- men Serwall/ and of som/ caponis loyle. But whether Serwall do agre in all poyntes with the description of Phu in Dioscorides or no: ye may iudge by the description whiche foloweth here after. Phu/ which som call also wild Spiknard/ groweth in Pontus/ and it hath a lefe lyke vnto Claphoboseo/ or Alexander/ a stalk a cubit hyghe or hygher/ smothe/ hollow and soft/ turnyng to purple/ and full of ioyntes. The floures are much lyke Narcissus/ but they are greater and tenderer/ and purple in a whytyshe coloz. The ouer root is about the thynnes of a mannis litle
P ii finge/

Of Hartis tunge.

kingre. But it hath litle rootes growyng to ouerthwart / and one wounden
in an other as squinant / or blak hellicor hath / in. color somthyng yelow /
well finellyng / resembling Spiknard / yet with a certayn vnpleasant sauor /
hytherto Dioscorides.

In thys description is nothyng that I can mark that disagreeth with
our Setwall / sayyng that the leues ar not altogether lyke vnto Alexander /
and the floures ar not very lyke vnto the floures of Narcissus. But with a
gentle interpretation the leues may be interpreted lyke Alexander leues / and
the floures lyke vnto the floures of Narcissus / wherefor seyng that the rest
of the herbe with the vertues do well enoughe agree: I thynk that a man
may lawfully take our Setwall for Phu in Dioscorides.

The vertues of Set wall.

Set wall hath pour to heate / and to dryue furth water / if it be dron-
ken after that it is dyed / the brothe of it is good for the same purpo-
se. It is also good for the ache of the syde / and it draweth down vn-
to weomen theyr naturall siknes. Galene writeth that Phu hath a roote
in vertu lyke vnto Spicanardi / but for many purposes weyker / and that it
prouoketh water moze then Spiknard of Inde or Syriak & as much / as
Spica celtica doth.

Phyllitis.

Of Hartis tunge.



Althoughe diuerse of
the beste herbaries of
our tyme haue iudged
that Hemionitis is our
Hartis tung / and I ha-
ue folowed them a lōg
tyme in theyr iudgemēt: yet admoni-
shed by Cordus many yeares before
er Matthiolus had ether writen in
Italian / or Latin / that our Hartis
tūg shuld be Phyllitis / I left my for-
mer opinion and held as I do now /
that the herbe whiche is named of
herbaries lingua ceruina, of other (but
falsely) scolopendria, in English Har-
tis tung / in Duch Hirtz zung / in Frē-
che Lang de cerf / was Phyllites in
Dioscorides whole description solp-
weth.

Phyllitis putteth furth leaues / ly-
ke a dock / but longer / & greener or fres-
her six or seuen together / and them
streyght / whiche in the inner parte
ar inlouth / but vpon y bak syde / they
haue as it wer smal wormes hāgng
on. It groweth in shaddowish pla-
ces / and hath a byndyng taste with an harrishnes or hartnes. It groweth
also in gardines. It hath nether stalk sede nor floure.

I thynk

I thynk that thys description agreeth much better with our hartis tung then the description of Hemionitis dothe. The leues of Hemionitis ought to be very harrish/ byndyng with bitternes. But there is no suche bitter taste in hartis tung/ therefore it can not be Hemionitis. The worst thyng that I mislike in our hartis tung/ is that me thynk that it hath not with vs here such a byndyng harrish taste/ as Dioscorides semeth to require. Howbeit except my memory faile me / I haue found it in other places tarte and byndyng inoughe.

The vertues of Phyllitis or hartis tung.



The leues of thys herbe dronken with wyne/ ar good agaynst the bytynge of serpentes. If they be poured in to the mouth of fourfoted beastes/ they help them. They ar also dronken agaynst y bloody fire & the comon fire with out any blood. These be the properties that I fynde in old wyters of Phyllitis. I can not fynde that it is good for y mylt in any olde wyter. And yet now a dayes it is comonly vsed for the diseales of the mylte/ & therfore as I suppose because it hath bene falsely taken for Scolopendrio/ and Hemeonitis. If that it do any good to the mylt/ it is by the reason of the great byndyng that it hath/ where by it may help the mylt that is to louse and to much opened.

Of the Pyne tre and other of that kynde.



Dioscorides writeth y the tre called in Greke Pitys/ & it that is named Deuke/ ar conteyned vnder one generall hede kynde/ but that they differ in theyr proper and particular kynde or spice. But he telleth not for all y/ where in they differ. Whiche thyng hath made that learned men cold not well tell whether of y two was our Pinus in Latin/ and which of them should be our Picea. Therfore seyng the right difference can not be found in Dioscorides: it is nedefull that we set it out of other autentik and sufficient old wyters. First it is nedful to seke out in what properties Pitys of y Grecianes differeth from pence/ & wherin Pinus of the Latines differeth from Picea/ and then to se wheter Pitys be Pinus or no in Latin/ and wheter Pence in Greke/ be our Picea or no/ and whether these wordes ar diuersly taken of diuerse autores or no.

Theophrast a noble wyter amongest the Grecianes/ maketh thys difference betwene $\pi\iota\tau\upsilon\varsigma$ and $\pi\epsilon\upsilon\kappa\eta$. $\pi\iota\tau\upsilon\varsigma$ is fatter and hath a smaller lese/ and is lesse in bignes/ & groweth not so streyght vp. It hathe a lesse con or nut/ or appell/ and rougher or moze vnpleasanter to look to/ and a fruite moze pitchye or rosinie/ $\pi\epsilon\upsilon\kappa\eta$ after that the rootes be burned/ doth not spring vp agayne. But they say that Pitys/ springeth agayn/ as it chanced in Lesbo/ when as the mountayn Pyrrheus was set afyre. The Ideanes hold/ y not only the harte/ but also the outter parte of the bole/ doth turn into a tede/ or woddorche/ & that then after a maner/ that it is strangled. And the same thyng chanceth of it self/ by the exceedyng greate plenty of the tre it self/ as a man can coniecture. For it is alltogether made a tede or woddish torche or fyrebrande. And so thys is the peculiere siknes of $\pi\epsilon\upsilon\kappa\eta$. The same Theophrast

D iij maketh

Of the Pyne tre and other of that kynde.

maketh thys differēce betwene the fyrre tre and *πευκη. πευκη* is of a notable hyght & much tauler then peuce. The firre tre hath a wode full of synewes/soft/and lyght. But the wode of peuce/ is full of tedes or woddyshe tozches heupe and full of flessh/or thik. The peuce hath mo knottes/ but the knottes of the fyrre ar harder. Pityrs serueth in Cypus to make shippes of it because that pland hathe it. And it semeth to be better then penke. The firre tre and peuce ar fittest for howses/and shippes/and for the moste parte of such other thynges. The Pityrs/ is fit for bothe the workes / and especiali for shippes/ but it beginneth quickly to root. Peuce in no wyse can cum furth in low and shaddow places/ *πευκη* & Jui can not grow in hoot places/ & peuce is a tre of y mountaynes as *πitu* also is/ about Macedonia. Peuce is of ij. sortes/ y one is the gardin peuce/ and the other is the wilde peuce. The wild peuce is deuyded into the male/ and female. *πευκη* groweth not in Syria. Thus much haue I taken of Theophrast. Now will I se what the other Grecianes wyte of these fornamed trees/ and of theyr frutes/properties/and operations/ and vertues. Galene in the viij. booke / of the vertues of simple medicines/ writeth thus of the fruite Pityrs. Pityrides ar named the fruytes Pityron. But som by a misale / call also the fruite of Peuces Pityrides. They haue a menged pour / that is both byndyng / and haupyng a certayn sharpnes with a bitternes / by reson where of they ar good for the spittynge out of mater out of the breste and lunges. These ar Galenes wordes. But now let vs se what the Latines wyte of Pinus/ and picea. Virgil the noblest Poete amongst all the latines / writeth in hys Egloges that the Pyne tre is goodliest in gardines. The same in y second of hys Georgikes or husbandry maketh the pyne tre fit and profitable to make shippes of in these wordes.

*Dant alios alie fetus dant utile lignum
Nauigijs Pinos, domibus cedrosq; cupressos.*

The same thyng doth he also in the fourth Eglog after thys maner.

*Cedet & ipse mari uector, nec nautica Pinus
Mutabit merces.*

Plini writeth thus of the pyne tre/ The Pyne tre hath a lese lyke a hear/ very small before/long and sharp with a picke. The Pyne tre byngeth furth very litle rosin/ The Pyne tre is gretely to be wondered at. It hath a fruite waryng rype/ which shall com to rypenes in the next yere/ and after ward in the thyrde. Nether is there any tre that more gredely putteth it self out a lengthe then the Pyne dothe. The Pyne tre and the Cypres tre ar surest agaynst rotyng or mouldyng and agaynst wormes. Plini writeth thus of the tre called Picea/ which may be called the pitch tre or the rede firre tre. The piche tre loueth mountaynes / and cold and it geneth very muche rosin. It is not so hyghe as the larche tre is. The leues of the piche tre ar dryer/ smaller/ and more colde. And the hole tre is more horrible or vnpleasent to looke to/ then the larche tre/ and it is all poured ouer with rosin. The wode of it is lyker the wode of the fir tre. The piche tre after that y rootes ar burnt ones/ will yet spryng agayne. The leues of the piche tre / ar diuyded com- wyse. Picea hath very small and blak kyrnelles thorow out in all the long tagges that hang down/ which ar smaller and sklanderer. Wherefore the Grecianes call it a Loufberer?

These

These haue I gathered out of y best Grek and Latin wyrters that men myght se clerely what the old wyrters wrote of the aboue named trees. But now sum will requyre my mynde of these trees/ because I professe y know- ledge of herbes & trees. Therefore I must say my mynde what I gather of these forecited places out of y auncient wyrters. As far as I can se/ Theo- phrast called y tre peuken/ y the Latines call pinu/ & y tre y the Latines calle piceam/ he called it pyn. For he maketh hys peuceto haue a greter nut or ap- pel the thys pitys hath. Also because he maketh pityn to be lesse & more cro- ked then peuce. But for all these/ peuce of Theophrast agreeth well w picea of y latines/ in sundrye properties. Peuce of Theophrastus as y same Theo- phrast writeth/ ca not cum furthe in very low places & in shaddow places/ for Peuce is a tre of the mountaynes/ and nether it nor Iuy ca grow in bur- nyng hote places. And Plini writeth that picea amat montes atq; frigora, & in an other place/ situs eius est in excelsis montium ceu maria fugerit. Peuce and pi- cea do also agre in byngyng furth of plenty of rosin. For as Theophrast wri- teth peuce resina copiosissima and ponderosissima est so Plini saith/ Picea plurimam resinam fundit. The same Plini writyng of the pyne saith pinus fert minimum resinæ. The pine tre byngeth furth very litle rosin. Of these wordes of Plini I gather that peuce in Theophrast is not pinus in Plini. And that Plini taketh pityn of the Grecianes for pino/ I gather thys out of Plinies wordes in y xxii. book and y secod chapter. Hys wordes ar these. The vse of orimeli or honied vinegre / is good agaynst the grene trees cal- led cantharides agaynst bupestrem/ and agaynst caterpillers of the pine tre which they call pitiocampas. Here may a man playnly se that Plini turneth pityn in to pinum/ and not to picea as Theodor Gaza and diuerse other do. But I iudge that Theodor hath much iuster cause to do so/ the the interpre- tores of Galene haue/ for as pitys in Theophrast may seme to be our picea/ so pitys in Galene/ is our pinus/ as it appeareth vnto me/ by it that Galene writeth of the fruite of pitys in these wordes folowyn. The frutes pituoy ar called pityides. But som call also by a misuse/ the frutes of *πευκας*, pityi- des. By these wordes of Galene a man may learne that Galene tooke pi- tyn to be the tre which bereth the greatest and mozte principall kirmelles/ and not peucen. But when as the greatest and mozte principal kirmelles grow vpon the pyne tre/ as dayly experiēce teacheth/ we may gather iustly by thys & other causes aboue reherfed/ y Galene tooke pityn for our Pino/ & therfore it is lyke y y Grecianes of Galenis tyme/ & they that ca after hym/ tooke allwayes pityn pro pino. As for the tre that is called in Greke *πευκη* and in Latin picea/ is called in hygge Germany where it groweth/ rote dannen baū. It groweth not abrode in England that I haue heard tell of/ nether hath it any name in English that I know. Wherefore seyng it must haue a name/ it is best ether to call it a piche tre/ because much piche is mad of the rosin of it/ or ellis after the Duch tung/ from whence our English speche came/ a red firre tre. Pinaster which as Plini writeth/ nihil aliud est, quā pinus sylvestris mira altitudine, y pinaster is nothyng ellis but a wilde pyne tre of a meruelus hyght/ is named in som places of Duchlade/ foerenholtz wild kinnenholtz/ and in som places kisser baume. It groweth very plētuously in hygge Germany. The leues grow in tustes together/ not

onlyke vnto a litle rounde heary brushe & is thyn/ or to som great pinselles that paynters vse. Euery lefe is at the lesse iii. inches long/ grene/ furrowed or guttered as sunn kynde of yong grasse is. Ther comine allwaye two leues out of one footstalk/ both in the brushy tuft/ and also a litle benethe the tuftes/ where as the leues growe thynner. Plini putteth thys differēce betwene the pine tre and the pinaster or wilde pyne/ that as the pine tre is bushy or full of bowghes in the toppes/ so the wilde pyne tre is full of bowghes euen from the myddes of the tre vppwarde. Thys tre may be called in Englishe a wilde pynetre. If any mā alledge against me the authozite of Theodoros Gaza/ to proue that our pinaster shuld be peuce/ because he turneth *πευκν* in diuerse places pinastrum. I answer that Gazas autozite helpeth nothyng here/ & that hys turning of peuces into pinastrum maketh against hym self and reproveth hym ether of vnstedfastenes/ or of ignorāce. For it is euident that althoughe moste comōly he turn peucem in to pinum/ yet in diuerse places he turneth & same word in to pinastrū/ as who say there where no differēce betwene pinus and pinaster. If any doubt whether he turneth *πευκν* in to pinastrum/ let hym rede the vi. chapter of the fourth booke de historia plantarum, and the fourthe chapter of the thyrde boke/ and the vi. chapter of the first booke de historia plantarum, and he shal fynde/ that I lye not: But not only these places/ proue ether hys ignorance/ or vnstedfastnes/ or elles doutfulnes/ in translatyng of *πευκν* and *πίτυς* into pinū piceā and pinastrū: but also hys turning of pityos in to laricem. For in the secōd chapter of the second booke de historia plantarū he turneth these Greke wordes *ἐνία δὲ ἀπο σπέρματος φύεται μονορ, διορ ἐλατη πευκν πίτυς* thus Sunt quæ ex semine tantū nascuntur, vt abies, pinus, larix. The same Theodore in the first chapter of the ix. booke de historia plantarum, turneth thys worde pitys in to laricem and piceā/ making two sundry trose to haue but one comō name/ which differ one fro an other in diuerse properties. The same thyng doth he agayn in the next chapter vnto it which I haue reherfed here before. For where as Theophrast hath in Greke/ *δευτέρα δὲ ἑλατίνη καὶ πίτυς*. Theodore hath in Latin: secunda quæ ex abiete, larice, & picea. Beholde as he maketh here iii. rofines of ij. names/ for he turneth *ἐλατίνη* in to resinum abietinam, and *πίτυς* in to resinum ex larice and ex picea, Then when as Gaza is thus waueryng and vnconstant/ it is not to be allowed for sufficient autozite & he doth in translatyng of these ij. Greke wordes *πευκν* and *πίτυς*. Therefore I passe not/ of hys autozite and holde that pitys pinus & peuce/ is Picea in our autozies of phylick/ as in Galene/ Dioscorides/ Aetius/ and other that wrote after Galene.

The vertues of the Pyne tre and the piche tre
out of Dioscorides.



He bark bothe of & Pyne/ and Pich tre/ haue pour to bynde/ & if it be broken/ and sprinkled vppō chafyng/ it is good for it/ & for sores & ar in the outermost parte of the skin. So is it also good for burned places with litarge & the fyne pouder of Frankincense. The same receyued in a trete or cerat of myrtelles/ byyng sores in tēdre bodiees to a skinne/ and it stoppeth such/ as ryne to far abrode/ if it be broken and layd to with coperus. And if it be geuen in a perfume or smoke/ it casteth furth chylde and the secondes. If it be dyon.

be dronken/ it will stopp the belly/ and maketh a man pisse well. But þ leues
of them also brokē & layd to swage inflamationes or hote burnynges. They
kepe/ and saue also woundes frō inflamationes. If they be brusēd & soddē in
vinegre/ they ar good agaynst the tuth ach/ if the teth be wasshed wth þ broth
of the whille it is very hote. If they be taken in the quantite of a drā in wa
ter/ or mede/ and dronken/ they ar good for the þ ar diseased in the liuer. The
bark of *στροβίλου*, and the leues dronken/ ar goood for þ same purposes. But it
is not very easy to know perfittly what Dioscorides meaneth by thys word
στροβίλος, whille som interpreters/ take it for a tre of a seuerall kynd by it self/
as Cornarius doth/ & other as Ruellius turneth it into the pineapel. I rede
in no olde autor þ Strobilus shuld be þ name of a tre/ but alwayes for þ nut
or appel/ or kirkel of þ appel som tyme/ except that where as my Plini correc
ted and set out by Erasimus/ after þ Hermolaus Barbarus/ Nicolaus Be
roaldus/ Guilhelmus Budeus & Johānes Cesareus had dō to Pliny/ what
they could do/ hath Tibulus a mā ought to rede Strobilus. And thonghe it
were Strobilus in dede in Plini/ & not Tibulus/ it were no stronger argu
ment to reson thus. Plini maketh Strobilus a kynde of tre by it self/ & not
only a fruite/ ergo it is a tre/ then thys were. Plini maketh Teda a seue
rall kynde of tre by it self/ therfore Teda is a tre by it self. But it that Dios
corides writeth/ will moue a mā much more thē that autorite of Plini/ who
se wordes ar these: *ποιεῖ δὲ τὰ αὐτὰ καὶ οἱ τῆς στροβίλου φλοιὸς καὶ τὰ φύλλα ποθεῖται*,
that is the bark of the Strobil and the leues make for the same/ or serue for
the same purpose. Now a pine nutt hath no leues/ where fore it may appea
re that by the word Strobilus he vnderstandeth a tre of the same kynde that
pinus is of. But thys semeth som thyng to hyndre that vnderstandyng/
that in the begynnyng of the chapter Dioscorides set furth afoze/ of what
thynges he wold intrete of only mention of pinus and picea/ & not of Stro
bilus. But wheter Strobilus here betoken the nut of the pine tre/ and the
leues of it betoken the leues of the same pine tre/ where of Dioscorides had
immediatly made mention befoze/ it maketh no great mater/ because all
the trees there together mentioned/ ar of a lyke vertu and workyng. The
tede also that commeth of them (a tede is a fat and roseny pece of a pyne or
pich tre/ which betwen of/ serueth for torches) cut in to small peces and sod
der with vinegre/ swageth the tuth ach/ if the broth be holden about the
tooth that acheth. A stirryng stik may be made of them fit to prepare pessēs
and medicines to swage werines. Som vse to kepe the sout of them/ to ser
ue to make inke there of. The same serueth for medicines to trym the hey
res of the ey liddes/ and for the corners of the eyes/ that ar worne or freted/
and for hard ey lyddes and such as want hear and for wateryng eyes. The
fruites of pynes and pich trees which ar within þ pine nuttes/ ar called pi
tydes. They haue a byndyng poure/ and somthyng hetynge. They ar good
for the coughe/ and for such disease as ar about the breste/ whether they be
takē by them selues or with hony. Moreouer if the kirkelles be made cleue
and then eten/ or be dronken with Maluesey & the fede of a cucumbre/ mo
ue a mā to make water/ and make dull or blunt the bytyng that is about þ
blader or kidnees. And if they be takē wth þ iuice of porcellayn/ they swage þ
gwaynynges of þ mouth of þ stomach. They take also away þ wepknēs of þ
body

Of Pyne tre.

body & hold down the corruptiō of humores. But the hole nuttes lately phys-
ked from the trees/and bysled/and sodde in Saluesey/ ar good for the old
coughe/and for a consumption/ if a man drynk every day/ thre cyathes of the
brothe that they ar sodden in.

Out of the viij. booke of Galene of simple medicines.



The barke of the pyne tre hath a byndyng pour excedyng the o-
ther/so much & it can heal very well chafinges/ and can stop &
belly if it be droke. It healeth vp also places & ar burned. More
ouer the bark of the piche tre is lyke to the other/ but the pou-
res ar moꝝ temperat oꝝ weyker. There is pour to ioyne/ & hele
soꝝes in pleyes of them both: becauſe they be muche moyſter then the barke.
In the nutt althoughe it be lyke theſe/ yet is there a ſtronger poure both
in the bark and alſo in the leues/ ſo that it haſe a certayn greuous bytyn-
g ſharpnes. Furthermoꝝe & ſout which is gathered of the foꝝlayde/ is fit foꝝ the
fallyng out of the heares of the ey liddes/ & foꝝ the moyſt corners of the eyes/
woꝝn of/ which ar blered and waterynge. The frutes of the pyne and piche
tre haue a mengled pour/ that is to wet they bynde with a certayn bitter-
nes. Wherfoꝝe they ar good to help a man to ſpit out mater of the bꝛeſte and
lunges. Galene alſo in hys boke of the poures of noꝝiſhmetes/ wyꝛteth thus
of the pyne apples. The pyne apple nutt is of a good groſſe iuice/ & noꝝiſheth
muche. But it is harde of digeſtiō. The Grecianes call it not now *κωνορ* but
σποβιλον.

Out of Symeon Sethi.



The kirtell of the pyne appel ar hote in the ſecond degre/ and
dye in the fiꝛſt. They noꝝiſh plentiuouſly/ & they ar of a groſſe
iuice/ and they ar harde of digeſtion/ and greue the hede/ and
make good bloode. They ſmouthe the harrifhnes oꝝ ſharpnes
& are in the bꝛeſte. They ar good foꝝ the ſoꝝes oꝝ bliſters of the
bladder/ & foꝝ the ſharpnes & is in the ſtomack and kydnes.
They ar alſo good foꝝ old cougheſ/ and moyſte diſeaſes of the lunges/ & foꝝ
them that ſpit out matter. They that uſe the with hony and raſines/ make
them eaſier to be digeſted/ and they increaſe mannis ſede. They ar alſo good
foꝝ them that ar diſpoſed to trymble.

Of Pepper out of Dioſcorides.



Men ſay that Pepper is a ſhoꝝte tre that groweth in
Indye. It byꝛngeth furth a fruite at the fiꝛſt lōge/ as
it where long coddes which is called long Pepper.
And it haſe within it a ſmall thyng lyke to mile oꝝ
millet/ which groweth to perſit Pepper at & lengthe.
Thys when the tyme commeth is ſpyꝛed abꝛode/ and
byꝛngeth furth berries ſuch as all mē know. Partely
bꝛuyꝛe (and therfoꝝe harrifhe) which ar & white Dep-
per/ moſte fit foꝝ ey medicines/ and foꝝ pꝛeſeruatiues
and triacles. But the long Pepper is excedyng bytynge and ſumthyng bit-
ter/ becauſe it is bꝛuyꝛe/ & it is alſo good foꝝ compoſitiones of pꝛeſeruatiues
and triacles. But the blak is pleaſanter and moꝝe ſharp then the whyte/ and
better

better for the stomach and more spicie/ because it is rype/ and it is fitter to /saion with all. We must chuse the pepper that is heuieft/ and ful/ blak/ not full of wyncles/ but freshe and without dust or chaffy filthines. There is oft found in blak pepper a thyng without nourishmēt/ lene/ empty/ and lyght/ and that they call bzasma.

Out of Plini.



The trees that bear pepper in euery place/ ar like vnto our iunipers. Nowe byt there ar som that holde that they grow only in y fronte of Caucasus y lyeth agaynst y sonne. The sedes differ from iuniper by such litle coddess as we se in faselles. These plucked before they gape and open/ and be heten in the sonne/ make it which is called long pepper. But whē as by litle and litle they begyn to open for rypnes/ they shew whyte pepper / which afterward hete with the sonne it is chēged with color & wyncles. But the same ar not without theyr iniuri/ and they ar perched cinged with the intemperate wether/ and y sedes ar made emptye and boyde. Which thyng they call bzechmasin: which betokeneth in the Indiane tūg/ bryngyng furth of fruite before the tyme of all the hole kynde/ it is the roughest and lyghtest/ and pale in color. The blak pepper is more plesant / but the whyte is lighther then both the other. Ginger is not the roote of pepper as som haue iudged.

Of the ix. book of Theophrast de historia plantarum.



Pepper indede is a fruite/ and thereof ar two kyndes/ y one is rounde as the bitter fithche called ozobus/ & it hath a coueryng and fleishe/ as the bay berries haue/ and it is somthyng in vnder redish. The long is blak/ & hath litle sedes lyke poppy. And thys is much stronger thē the other. They ar both hote/ wherefore they ar good agaynst the poyson of the homlok as Frankincense is.

Out of the viij. booke of Galene of hys simple medicines.



The root of the pepper tre in vertu is much lyke to costus. The fruite that was but growyng of late/ is the lōg pepper/ wherefore it is moyster then it that is rype. And thys is a token of hys moysture: when it is layde vp/ it will be shortly full of holes/ and doth not byte by & by/ but beginneth a litle after/ but it dureth a litle more. But the fruite that is as it were an vnrype grape/ is the whit pepper/ sharper in dede then the blak. Bothe they do vehemently drye and heate.

Whereto haue I brought it that the old wyrters haue wryttē of pepper/ who/ as a man may esely gather of theyr wyrtynge/ had only by hearfay it & they wrote/ concernyng y description & maner of growyng of peper. Wherefore because ther ar many thynges found out of late yeaues by the saylyng of the Portugalles/ and diuerse other aduenturus traualers in far cuntres/ and specially diuerse kyndes of frutes and trees which were neuer perfitly knownen before: I will bryng in what the later wyrters haue found out/ concernyng pepper which was not knownen before.

Out

Of Pepper out of Dioscorides.

Out of the Leues Bartomanni: fift boke of the
thynges that he saw in Inde.



Here groweth pepper in y^e felde y^e lyeth about Calecut. Som husband men gather pepper even within the city. The stalk of the pepper bushe is very weyke/ as a vinde is/ without a prop it can not stand alone. And it is not vnylike Bay/ for it creepeth euer hygher & hygher/ & embraseth all y^e is in the way/ & byndeth it about. The forsayde tre nay rather bushe or shrub/ spreadeth it selte abroad in to many branches/ which ar about two or thre handbredthes long/ or (as som expound palmum) ij. or iij. spannes long. The leues resemble the leues of a citron tre/ but these ar thicker and fatter with small beynes rynnynge vpon the bak syde. Out of euery outtermoste yong twygge hang out six clusters/ not bigger then a palm that is iiij. fingers/ lyke vnto grapes/ but thicker together. They haue the same color y^e vntype grapes haue. They gather the in October and Nouembre/ as yet turnyng to a grene color/ and they lay them vpon mattes agaynst the sonne to be ry- ped and dyed there. And within thre dayes they get thys color that ye se them haue. The same leues wytyng of the noble Pland Taprabona / sayeth that there groweth very great plenty of a bigger kynde of pepper. He sayeth that the same pepper thoughe it be greater then it that cometh hyther/ yet that it is empti/ lyght/ and whyte and very bytyng. And he wytteth that the tre that bereth thys pepper / hath a greater bole and thycker/ and fatter leues then the pepper trees y^e grow in Calecut. Hytherto Lewes. Diuerse that haue bene in Inde/ hold y^e y^e long peper groweth not vpon the same tre that the other peper groweth/ but vpon other trees in log tagges lyke them that in wynter hang vpon walnut trees. Matthiolus one of the moste famose wyrters of simples in all Italy in these our dayes/ wyrteth thus of pepper: I haue sene at Naples a peper bushe/ agreyng well wth the descriptio of the Portugalles/ because it had a bole or body/ after the maner of a vinde/ and after the maner of the sharpe Clematis. But I did se also an other litle tre byngyng furth pepper in clusters in Venis/ which did very playnly resemble the com^{on} ribes bushe. Thys groweth grene in y^e gardin of Mappheus the noble Physicane/ where as many other herbes & trees worthy to be knowen ar. wherfore it is no wonder/ if autores wyte diuersely of the history of pepper.

Of the vertues of Pepper out of Dioscorides.



He vertue of all peppers in commun/ is to heat/ to moue a mā to make water/ to digest/ to draw to/ to driue away by resolution/ and to scour away those thynges y^e darken the eyesight. It is also fit for to be taken agaynst the shakynge of agues/ which com agayn by course at certayn tymes/ whether it be broken or the body be therewith annoynted. It helpeth them that ar bitten of venomous bestes. It byngeth furth also the byrthe. It is good for the coughe and for all diseales about the breste/ whether it be licked in or be receyued in drynk. It is lykewyle good for y^e squynsey if it be layd to with hony. If it be drunken with the tendre leues of the bay tre it dryueth away gnawynge/ and quite dissolueth it. If it be choiced with

with rasines it will draw down thynne fleme out of the hede. It stancheth ache/ and it is much vsed in helthe/ it maketh an appetyte. And if it be mended with sauces it helpeth digestion. If it be mended with pitch/ it dryueth away by resolutio wēnes. With nitre or naturall salpeter it scoureth away morphewes and such lyke foulness in the skin. It is burned in a new erthen pot/ set vpon the coles/ and is stered as gentilles ar.

Out of Symeon Sethi.



Pepper is hote and drye in the thyrde degre. The nature of it is to cut in sunder grosse and toughe humores/ and to breke and dryue away wynde/ and to waste by the moysture of y brest/ lunges/ belly/ and stomack. But it is euell for the kydnees. There ar som that hold y pepper is hote and drye in the fourth degre. By these wordes of Symeon/ and by the autorite of Theophrast/ Dioscoridis/ Galene and Plynii/ is the old erroz playnly reprovod of diuerse Englishe men and of many weome/ that stidly haue holden that pepper is hote in the mouth and cold in operatio. Galene teacheth that hole pepper heteth not so muche as brokē and poudered peper dothe. Hys wordes ar these: There ar none of those thynges which ar manifestly knowen to be hote/ which appere to be hote vnto vs before the be brokē in to small partes. For though a man lay hole pepper vnto hys skin/ yet shall he fele no heat of it. Nomore shall a man fele any heat/ though he taste vpon it wyth hys tong or swallow it ouer/ or vse it any other wayes hole/ and vnbeten/ and sifted. But if y powder of it be layde vnto the skin/ it will heat/ and specially if the skin be rubbed hard therwith. And the powder will heat quickly both the tong and the stomacke. Wherefore when a man wold haue pepper to heat much and speedly/ he must bete it in to small powder after the learning of Galene. But if he wold haue it to heat but litle and slowly/ the let hym vse it hole/ or litle broken. And althoughe pepper be good for y shakyn of angue/ yet for all that it is very ieperdus to take ether peper or any such hote medicine before the body if the pacient be wel prepared and purged/ and the mater of the disease be made rypp. For if suche remedies be takē before the dew tyme/ that is before the state or chere rage of the disease/ a single ague will turn in to a double/ or ellis at the leste the siknes will be much worse to heale as Galene writeth of the quartayn ague in hys booke ad glauconem.

Of the fistick nut.



Pistacia named so both of the Grecianes and Latines/ ar named of the potecaries and barbarus wyrters fistici. I haue sene them in Bononi growyng vpo theyr tre which was but short. The leues ar nothyng lyke vnto the lentisk leues as Matthiolus wyrteth/ sayyng y they grow in such order as they do/ for they differ both in fashon and form/ and also in greatnes and color. The fistik lese that I saw and mesured/ is thyrse as brode as y lentisk lese and broder/ and

Of the fistick nut.

Pistacea.



and it is but twyfe as long & about a grane longer. The figure of y^e fistick tre is almost rounde: y^e figure of the lentisk lefe is such/ that in that parte that is next vnto y^e footstalk/ is very small and wareth greater and greater vnto the myd lefe/ & fro thence it groweth euer lesse and lesse vntill it com vnto a poynt all moſte sharpe. The coloz of the lentisk is also grene/ when as the coloz of the fistik is nothyng so grene/ but yelow/er is litle rede spottes in them. In thys lyknes & bignes haue I ſene the letisk oz mastik tre and the fistik tre in Bonony/ where as I learned the knowledge of herbes & practis of physik of my master Lucas Ginnus/ the reder of Dioscorides thereof whome Matthiolus in hys commentaries vpon Dioscorides oftymes maketh honorable mention. It may chance that Matthiolus hath ſene the leues of the forſayde trees of greater oz lesse bygnes and of other fashon & coloz then they were of that I ſaw in Bonony/ where of I haue certayn at thys day to ſhewe/ well kept in a booke at y^e lest

these ſeuentene yeares/ if any man ſhulde dout of my truth in the reherſall of theſe maters. The fistik nut at the least hath two notable couerynges/ one that is without all the other as a walnut oz an almond hath/ another harde and toughe and in coloz whyte/ within the which is a grene kinnell/ full of oyle.

The vertues of fistickes out of Dioscorides.

The fistick nuttes ar good for the stomack. They ar also a good reme- dy agaynst the bytynges of crepyng beastes/ wheter they be eaten/ oz whether they be broken and dronken in wyne.

Out of Pliny.

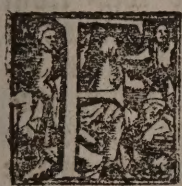
The fistickes haue the same profittes and workyng that the pineap- ple kinnelles haue/ and besyde that they ar profitable whether they be eaten oz dronken agaynst the bytynges of serpentcs.

Out of Galene de alimentorum facultatibus.

Galene

Galene in the secōd booke *de alimentorum facultatibus* writeth that fistickes nozish but a litle/and y they ar good to streyngthen y liuer and to scouraway the humores that ar stopped in the canales of it. The same Galene writeth of them thus in hys bookes of simple medicine. The fruite of the fistic tre is of a finer substance or complexion/ and it hath a litle bitternes and a good smell/ & therfore it scouteth away the stoppyng of the lyuer chesely/and also of the breste and lunges.

Out of Symeon Sethi.



Fistickes as Symeon sayeth (after y translatiō of Lilius Gregorius) nozish litle/and ar hote & dry in the secōd degre. They ar good for the lyuer/ and sumtyme they stopp and sumtyme they driue away/ because they haue iuices of ij. sortes/where of the one is somthyng byndyng/ and the other somthyng bitter/and of a spicie smell. Galene writeth y they nether greatly help nor hurt the stomack. But the later writers hold/ that they ar good for the stomack. They help them y ar bitten of venummus bestes. They make the blood fyne/and they make thynne grosse and thoughe humores. The oyl of fistickes is good for the breste/kydnees/and lunges.

Out of Serapio and other Arabians.



The oyle of fistickes/is good agaynst all venemus bytynges/ for y ach of the lyuer/which cometh of moysture. It is hote & drye/ and of a greater heat thē the walnut and hasel nut be of. Auerroes wyrteth y fistickes ar temperatly dry and hote/and y they comfort the stomack and lyuer of theyr hole substance/ & y they ar of y nombre of these medicines y haue many and grete vertues to help w all. Rases also an Arabiane sayeth that fistikes beyng hote/help a woman to hyr syknes.

Of the pease.



S Dioscorides describeth not y fabam/ where of he maketh mention and sheweth the vertues/so he nether describeth ne ther maketh any mention of the Pisi. Wherefore it is as litle meruel that men haue erred in the pisi as well as in the faba. Sum herbaries of Germany hold that cicer anetinum is the pisum of the latines led by thys reson. Cicer is called in Greke Erebinthos and y pisum of the Latines is called in som places of Duch-lād erweisen/so that they gather that/ that the Duch erweysen cam of the Greke worde ερεβινθος. Other gather euē by such an other reson y y Duche erbs/which is called in English a pease is the eruum of y Latines/ & orobus of the Grecianes/ because erbs semeth to come ether of erui or orobus/ by reson of y lyknes of y wordes betwene one & an other. But all these gessinges ar but vayne and openly agaynst the truth/as God willyng I shall proue her after. But before I take that mater in hand/ I thynk it best to serche out what old writers haue writen of theyr pisis.

Theophrast in the seuenth booke of the histori of plantes/and in y thyrde chapter wyrteth that pisum cicercula and cicera/ and such other haue longer leues then the faba. The same wyrteth that pisum/ochros and lathyros

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Of the fistick nut.

Pisum.



haue a stalck þ̄ falleth byð the ground. Theophrastus also in þ̄ fourth booke of the causes of plantes writeth thus of peasen. Pisum is most frayl of all other/ for it is moſte ſubiect vnto mil due/ becauſe it hath many leues/ becauſe it groweth by the grounde/ large and muche rynnynge abzode. For it will fill þ̄ hole place/allthough one ſede be ſet a grete way from an other. And the ſame is much in danger of colde and freſpynge/ becauſe it hath a weyke roote. Pliny writynge of other pulſes/ ſpeaketh thus of Piſo in the xij. chapter of the xviij. booke. The piſum ought to be ſowe in places lying againſt the ſonne/ becauſe of all other/ it can leſte abyde colde. And therfore in Ita- li/ and in a roughe ayer/ they ſow it not but in the ſprynge tyme/ in an eaſy and louſe grounde. There is cicercula a kynde of litle ciches which is not euen/ and full of corners as þ̄ piſum is. The coddies of the ciches are rounde/ other pulſes coddies are long and brode/ after the figure of þ̄ ſede. The piſum hath coddies after the faſ-

ſhon of a rool that the grounde is playned with all.

Here be all the places that I can fynde at thys tyme in the old writers/ which declare any thyng the forme or faſhon of piſi. But firſt before I byrnyng in what is my iudgement of the piſi/ I thynck it mete to conſule the errores which are committed in thys pulſe piſo. Firſt that they erre ſowly/ that hold that Cicer arietinum in Dioſcorides is our comon peaſe/ and the piſon of the Grekes/ becauſe the Duches erweyſen is lyke in ſound to ere- binthus/ and they that hold that peaſe called in ſom place of Duchelande erbs/ is the eruum of the Latines or ozobus of the Grecianes/ becauſe theſe wordes ozobus and eruum are lyke vnto the Duch worde erbs. It may be eaſely proued by that it ſoloweth not/ becauſe a Duch worde ſoundeth lyke a greke or Latin worde/ that therfore it that the Duch word betokeneth/ that þ̄ latine and Greke wordes betokeneth the ſame. For if that were a good maner of argument/ then carabus/ which ſoundeth lyke ein krab/ ſhould not be a lober/ or eyn mer kreuet/ but a krab/ and vulpes which ſoundeth lyke vnto ein wolf/ ſhould not be a fore/ but a wolf/ where vnto it hath a lyker ſoude and name. Cunila ſhould not be ſaueray/ but tyme/ for the byghe Duch call tyme quendell. Puligium ſhould not be pennyriall/ but po- lium/ becauſe the Duch call pulegium poley.

Now

Now may ye se how sklander the argument is which is fethched out of the lykenes of wordes in diuerse tonges/except y descriptiones and properties do agre also therewith. But y the descriptio and properties of pise do not agre with Orobus and Erebinthus/ I shall easely proue it/ by the autorities of the autores aboue reherfed/ and with other besyde them. Erebinthus/ as Theophrast writeth falleth not vpon the grounde but groweth a syde. But the pease falleth vpon the ground/ therefor erebinthus ca not be pisum. The pisum hath long leues/ but Erebinthus hath none/ suche. Therfor Erebinthus can not be pisum.

Galene writeth de Cicere Arietino/ and de pise as of ij. distinct and diuerse pulses/ Pliny also in one chapter diuideth cicera fro pises/ therfore erebinthus which is called in latin cicer is not pisum.

Theophrast maketh orobum to grow sydlynges. But all our kyndes of peasen ar επιγυοκαυλα, that is theyr stalkes grow by the grounde/ and Galē writeth y all the kyndes of orobus/ sayng the whyte ar playn bitter and taketh not all bitternes away from it vtterly/ but maketh it gentler then the other as Theophrast doth also. But all our kyndes of peasen & all y kyndes of erweysen or erbisen in Duche/ ar playne swete/ wout all bitternes. Therfore there can none of our pease nether of the Duche erbisen be any kynde of orobus/ sayng the whyte/ and y (as it is proued before) can not be orobus as one that wrote vpon the Georgikes of Virgil dyd lately teache.

That the moste part of our comō peasen can not be pisum of the old writers/ it dothe appere by bothe y descriptiones of Theophrast and Plini. For Theophrast maketh hys pease with a long lese/ & Plini giueth corners vnto hys pease. Then when as the comon whyte pease is altogether rounde and wout corners/ and the leues of y moste parte of our comon peasen ar roude/ the comon white peason and other lyke vnto them in form and fashon can not be pisa of the old writers.

The comon gray pease with the long leues/ which is not round/ but cornered/ is ether the pisum of the old writers/ or ellis I know it not all.

The vertues of peasen out of Galene.



Rasen of theyr hole substance haue a certayn lyknes with fabis (which ar called of the moste parte of learned men and taken for our beanes) and ar after the same maner takē in that fabe ar. But they differ in these two poyntes/ fro fabis both in that they ar not so wyndy/ and that they haue not suche a scowryng nature/ & therefore go slowlier down throw y belly.

Galene in that place where as he writeth of fabis/ sayeth y all thynges which ar feped want the wyndenes that they had before/ but y they ar harder of digestion.

Then the perched or burstled peasen which ar called in Northumberlād carlines by Galenis ruel/ ar not so wyndye as other waies dyessed/ & ar harder to be digested/ although they noy not so muche with theyr wyndenes.

The physicion of Salern wypte thus of peasen in theyr booke whiche they wrote vnto the kyng of Englande.

Sunt inflatua cum pellibus atq; nociua.

Pellibus ablatis sunt bona pisa satis.

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¶ Chat

Of the pease.

That is peasen with theyr skynnes ar wyndy and noysum/ but when as
þe skynnes ar take away: they ar good inoughe. Thus do they say. But for
all they sayng/ I will aduise all them that haue ether wyndy stomackes/ or
miltes/ þe they vse not much pease at any tyme/ howsoeuer they be dressed/
except there be ether anis seide/ or curiū/ or mynte/ or som other seide or herb
of lyke propertie put thereto. Wherefore I must nedes commēde the honest
and lerned Physicianes who of olde tyme haue taught our cookes to put
the pouder of mynte in to pease potage/ for that taketh away for the moste
parte the wyndines of the pease/ which might els hurt all men disposed
vnto any wyndines ether in the milt or stomack. The cause why I do
commend them is/ because they haue don bothe accordyng vnto reason and
to the learnyng of Galene who wytyng of peasen/ and other wyndy mea-
tes/ sayeth þe whatsoeuer wyndines is in any kynde of meat/ the same may
be amended by such herbes as ar hote and make subtile and fyne.

Of pitiusa or pyne spourge out of Dioscorides.



Pitiusa is iudged to differ in spicie or kynde from the cypresse
spourge/ called in latin cyparissias. Wherefor it is numbred
amongest þe kyndes of tithimales. Pitiusa (which I name py-
ne spourge) bryngeth furth a stalk longer the a cubit/ hauyng
many knees or ioyntes. The leues ar sharpe & small lyke vnto
the leues of a pyne tre. The floures ar small/ in coloz purple/
the seide is hyde as a lentil is. The roote is whyte/ thyck/ and full of iuice.
Thys same is found in som places a great bushe. Hytherto Dioscorides.

Thys pitiusa is called of the comon Herbaries and apothecaries esula
maior/ but how þe it is called in Englishe/ I can not tell/ althoug it be found
in many places of Englad. But lest it shuld be without a name/ I call it py-
ne spourge after the Greke name and lyknes of the leues of it vnto the leues
of a pyne tre. It may also be called lynespourge/ of the lyknes þe it hath with
linaria. The comon herbaries hold that it is hard to discern esulam from li-
naria/ and therfore they haue made a verse whereby a man may learn to
discern the one from the other/ but the verse is thys:

Esula lactescit, linaria lac dare nescit.

Lynespourge hathe much milck/ which linari lacketh in hyr lefe.

But because linari is also lyke the Cypresse spourge (which is much lesse
then thys is) it wer best for the auoydyng of confuson continually to call
pitiusam pyne spourge.

The great kynde that Dioscorides maketh mention of haue I sene in
diuerse places of Germany/ first a litle benethe Colen/ by þe Rhene syde/ and
afterward/ besyde Wormes in high Germany. I haue sene it diuerse tymes
as hyghe as a man/ and somtyme much lōger. Thys herbe may be called in
English spourge gyāt/ or merrish or water spourges/ because it groweth on-
ly in merrish and watery groundes.

The vertue of pitiusa out of Dioscorides.



Two drammes of pitiusas rote with mede purgeth/ & so doth a dram
of the seide/ & so doth a spounfull of the sap made in pilles with flour.
Thre drammes of the leues/ may be taken for a purgation.

Of

Plantago maior,



Plantago minor,



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P. media?

Plantago II. minor.



P. lanceolata

Plantago aquatica.



Alisma Plantago

Of plantayn or weybrede.



Here ar two kyndes of plantayn or waybrede the lesse and the greater. The lesse hath narrower leues/lesse and smother/softer and thynner. It hath litle stalkes bowyng to the grounde/ full of corners and pale yelowishe floures. The sede is in the top of the stalkes. The greater is larger with brode leues lyke vnto a bete. The stalk in thys kynde is full of corners/somthyng redish of a cubit hyght/set about with small sede from the myddes vnto the top. The rootes ar tender roughe/ white/ and of the thiknes of a finger. It groweth in myri places in hedges and in moyst places/ and the greater is the better. Hyther to Dioscorides.

In am Besyde these two kyndes there ar diuerse mo besyde which may all well be conteyned vnder these/ sayng it that groweth by y see syde only/ which semeth to be a seuerall kynde from all the rest. The greatest kynde is called in the South parte of England plantayn or grete plantayn/ & in the North countre waybrede or grete weybrede. The lesse kynde is called sharp waybred or sharp plantayn/ and in many places rybgrasse. The Duches call the great plantayn byed wegerich/ and the lesse Spitzwegerich.

The vertues of bothe the Plantaynes or Waybreds out of Dioscorides.



The leues of plantayn/ haue a dryng pour and byndyng together. wherfore if they be layd to/ they ar good for all perillous sores and hard to heale/ and suche as draw towarde the common lepre / and for such as ar flowyng or rymyng and full of foul mater. They stopp also the burstyng out of blood/ carbuncles/ fretyng sores/ crepyng sores/ ryght blaynes/ or ploukes/ & they couer with a skin olde sores & vneuen/ and sores all mooste vncurable/ & they heal by corners/ and hollow sores. They heal also the bytyng of a dog/ and burned places/ and inflammationes or burnynges/ and the inflammationes or apostemes behind the eares and swellynge/ hauyng blaynes in them after the colour of brede. They ar good to be layd to hard swellynge or wenmes and wateryng of the eyes/ with a soze disposed to fistelles / with salt. But the herbe if it be eaten as a wurt in meate / with salt/ and vinegre/ it is good for the bloody flir and the other flir without bloode. It is also geue sodden in the stede of betes/ with pentilles. It is also geuen to them that haue the dropsey which hath the name of whyte fleme/ after the vse of dry thynges/ so that the herbe sodden may be taken in the myddes. It is also good to be geuen to them that haue the fallying siknes/ and to them that ar short wynded. The iuice of the leues scoureth sores that ar in the mouthe/ if it be oft wasshed therewith. With Cimolia and whyte lead or cerusse/ it healeth the inflammation called saynt Antonies fyre. The same is poured in to the eares for the ach of them/ and for the eysoze/ it is poured in to y ey/ and it is menged with ey salues. It is dronken of them with profit/ that haue bloody gournes/ and of them that cast out blood. It is good to be poured in vnder agaynst the bloody flir. It is also good to be dronken agaynst the ptisik. It is also good to be layd to agaynst the stranglyng of the mother in woll/ and

and so is it good for a waterish or to moyst mother. The seide also dronken with wyne stoppeth the belly and the spittynge of bloode. The roote sodden stancheth the ruthe ach/ if they be washed there with/ and it chowded in the mouthe. The roote and leues ar good against the sores or blisters that ar in the bladder and kyndnes/ so that they be taken with swete wyne. Som say that the rootes with the ciates of wyne with lyke portion of water will help a tertian/ & the four rootes help a quartyn. There ar also som y use the roote hanged in a band/ to dryue away wenies and hard swellinges.

Out of Galene in the vij. book of simple medicines.

Plantayn is of a minged complexion or temperature / for it hath a certayn colde waterishe thyng/ and also a certayn byndyng tartish thyng/ the which is erly dry and colde. And therfore it coleteth and dryeth/ & is in bothe in the second degre from the myddes. But such medicines as cool & bynde/ ar good for sores that ar hard to be healed/ for illhues & in flowrynges and rotten humores/ & so ar they good for the bloody sicke. The roote and seide ar not so cold as the leues ar/ but dryer. Aetius confirmeth it that Galene and Dioscorides haue writte/ and sayeth also thus: The seide is of mooste subtil or fyne partes/ but the rootes ar of grosser partes. And the leues dyed/ get vnto them the pour of subtiler partes/ but not so cold as they had before.

When as these be the true vertues & properties of the kyndes of plantayn/ it is a folish sayng of som vnlearned persones / which hold stiffly that plantayn draweth humores out of sores: When as the properties of it is rather to dryue bak humores/ and to dry by them/ that ar flowen to the hurt places/ then to draw any vnto the place. For al such medicines as shal draw/ must haue an hote or warm propertie/ and not a colde and dry/ as all the kyndes of plantayn haue.

Of the Playn tre.



Althoughe Dioscorides writeth of the vertues of Playn tre/ yet he describeth it not. Wherefore very mane in England and Germany haue erred in takyng of diuerse trees for the Playn tre / where of nono of them all/ was the ryght Playn tre in dede. Sum take y lynd tre (which I w many other take for the ryght tilia) for Platanos: because it shutteth furth long branches/ & bowghes/ and is able to couer a grete numbre of men vnder it. Sum take a tre which semeth to me/ to be a kinde of acer/ to be Platanum. And that tre is called in Duch Ahorn. That the lynd can not be Platanus/ it may be gathered by diuerse places of Dioscorides/ where as he maketh certayn well knowen herbes lyke to Platanos. Dioscorides in the fourth booke and 145. chapter / writeth of ricinus/ which we call now in England palma Christi, sayeth that it hath leues/ like vnto a Playn tre/ but greter/ smother and blacker. But the lynd tre hath leues lyke an asp tre / or to som Juy leues that haue no indentyng or cuttyng/ & nothing lyke vnto the leues of palma Christi, which ar cut out after the maner of a mannis hande. Pliny also in the xvi.

book

Of the Playn tre.

Platanus.



book and xxiii. chapter / writeth that the fyg tre / playn tre / a bynde / haue greatest leues of all other / therfore seying that the leues of the lynde tre ar but small in comparyson of these now reherfed and of many other / it can not be the ryght Platanus oz Playn tre. They that hold that the Ahorn tre (which I reken to be only a kynde of acer) is Platanus / grant that it groweth in y hyghest mountaynes that ar som thyng moyste / amongst the ashe trees. But Theophrastus maketh the Playn tre to grow in merrish groudes with willowes & by welles and water sydes. And the same writeth thus of the Playn trees naturall place very clearly in the thyrd booke of the History of Plantes / & in the senenth chapter. Som trees grow casely & increase with spede / as they that aryse by by ryuers oz waters / as the elm tre / the Playn tre / the water asp / and the wylow tre. Therfore the Platanus and the ahorn tre agre nothyng in theyr naturall place of growing.

Both Plini and Theophraste write also that Platanus groweth not naturally in Italy. And Plini writeth that the Playn tre was fetched out of a strange worlde / only for the shadowis sake. It is lyke if ahorn had bene Platanus / and the Italianes had knowen / that it had growen so nere hand them / in Germany / (as it is very like / they beyng so much & so oft in Germany / dyd know what grew there /) they wold neuer haue sent in to a strange wald to fetch them / seying they myght haue had it so nere home. They also that describe the ahorn tre / make it not to haue any such shaddowing boughes and branches as Plini and Theophrast write that the Playn tre hath.

For these and diuerse other lyke causes / I reken that the tre called in Duche Ahorn oz wild asshen / can not be Platanus. I haue sene the leues of that Platanus that groweth in Italy / and two very pong trees in England which were called there Playn trees. Whose leues in all poyntes were lyke vnto the leues of the Italian Playn tre. And it is doutles that these two trees were ether brought out of Italy / oz of som farr countre beyond Italy / where vnto the freres / monkes and chanones went a pylgrimage.

The vertues of the Playn tre.



He pong leues of the Playn tre / sodden in wyne / ar good to be layd vnto the eyes to stopp the rynnynge and waterynge of them. They ar also

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Also good for swellynge/ and inflammationes. The bark sodden in vinegre/ is good for the tooth ach/ if the teth be wasshed therewith. The yong knoppes dronken in wyne/ heal the y bytyng of serpentis. If they be broken and mended with grese/ and there of be made an oyntment/ heal it that is burnt of fyre. The hoynes that cleueth vnto the leues/ is perillus both for the eyes and eares also.

Of the herbe called Polium out of Dioscorides.

Polium.



Her at two kyndes of Polium / the one of the mountaynes which is named teucrion / and thys is it that is comonly vled.

It is a bushlyng / small / whyte / and a spanne long / full of seide. It hath in the topp a litle hede lyke a cluster of berries / but that litle and lyke an hoys hear. And it hath a strong or greuous smell ioynd w a certayn pleasantnes. The other kynde is more bushy / and not of so strong a smell / and weyker in workyng. Hyther to Dioscorides.

The first and nobler kinde haue I sene growyng in the mount Apennin / but neuer in England a brode. Therefore I know no Englishe name of it / but it may be well called after the Greke and Latine name Poly. The second kynde dyd I se (except I be deceyued) a litle from the citi of Cour in the land of Rhetia / but it grow not so streyght vp / as it that Matthiolus painteth. Pliny geueth vnadvisedly those properties vnto Polio that belong to

tripolito. Therfore all studentes had nede to rede hym warely / as bothe here and in many other places / lest he gyue them full cause of error. Here is the reder to be warned that where as it is in y translation of Cornarius palmititudine, it is in y Greke *ωιδυμίσκος* / which Greke worde betokeneth not the length of four fyngers / as palmus doth / but a spanne / which conteyneth in it ix. insches or xij. fingers. Thys thought I necessary to warn the reder of / lest he leauyng vnto the autozite of Cornarius / shuld thynk that Poly shuld be no hygher then iij. ynches or four fyngres long / as palmus moste commonly in all good autores that I haue red dothe signify / sayyng in a place or ij. of Pliny / which seme to agre with the iudgement of Cornarius.

Rede Agri
colam de
ponderi-
bus & me-
suris.

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Of the herbe called Polygala or milk lentill.

The vertues of Poly out of Dioscorides.

He booth of the herbe dronken/ healeth the styngyng of serpentess/ them that haue the dropsey and the iaundes/ and also them that are greued in the milt/ so that it be vled with vinegre. It vereth the stomack/ and ingendreth the hedach. It lowleth the belly/ and byngeth down floures. If it be strowed vpon the grounde/ or if it be burned/ and made to smooke/ it dryueth away serpentess. If it be layd to emplaster wyse/ it byndeth woundes together. Poly by the reson of hys bitternes/ as Galene writeth/ & because he is metely sharp/ delyuereth all inwarde partes from stoppyng. When as it is grene as the same Galene writeth/ it ioyneeth together great woundes/ & specially the busshye kynde. When as it is dyled/ it will heale old sores very hard to be healed. But the lesse kynde is for þe purpose more effectiue or stronger in workyng. The lesse Poly/ which we vse in preseruatiues and triacles/ is sharper and bitterer then the greter is. So that it dyleth in the thyrde degre/ and heateth fully out in the second degre.

Of the herbe called Polygala or milk lentill.

9. 12. **P**olygala/ sayeth Dioscorides/ is a bushling/ a span long/ and hath leues after the fasshon of lentill leues/ with a taste somthyng byndyng & tarte. Dioscorides writeth no more of Polygala. The herbe þe I take for Polygala/ is a very short herbe/ and it groweth in woddes and in wilde places/ and in hedges besyde woddes/ and in laynes: the flour is in som places purple/ and in other places almost white. Althoughe I haue sene thys herbe oft in Englād/ yet could I neuer heare of any man the name of it. It may be called vntill we fynde a better name/ milke lentill/ because it hath leues lyke lentilles/ and the propertie to make muche milk.

The vertues of Polygala.

Dioscorides reherbeth no other vertue of Polygala/ sauing that it maketh much milke. And Galene writeth not muche more of it. For he wyrteth only thys of it. Polygala leues are a litle byndyng. They seme to make milk/ if it were dronken. Therfore hete and moysture must bere the chese ruel in it. Paule hath nothyng of thys herbe but it that Dioscorides and Galene wrote before hym. Nether fynde I any more of it in Pliny/ then is writen in Dioscorides.

Of knot gras or swyne gras, and of the medow schauigras, out of Dioscorides.



Dioscorides maketh ij. kyndes of Polygonum. The one he calleth the male/ and the other he calleth the female. Polygonum the male (sayeth he) is an herbe that hath tēdre branches and soft set about with litle knees or knoppes about the ioyntes/ and they kreye vpon the ground like gras. The leues are like rue/ but they are longer & softer. It hath sede besyde euery lefe/ wherof it is called the male. The flour is whyte
or pur

Polygonum I.

Polygonum II.



or purple. Polygonum the female is a litle bushling or bushy herbe / having but one stalk / tendre and lyke vnto a rede / and it hath many knoppy ioyntes called of som men knees / one beyng allwayes stopped into an other / after the maner of a trumpet. And it hath certayn thynges about the ioyntes / goyng round about / lyke vnto the leues of a wyne tre. The root is nothyng worth. It groweth in watery places.

the boot

The former kynde is named in Greke πολυγονον αρρεν / in Latin Polygonum mas or sanguinalis, in Dutch wegbiet / in English knotgras or Swynegrasse.

The female is called in Greke Πολυγονον θηλυ / in Latin Polygonum fœmina / in English litle shaue grasse or medow shauegrasse / because it groweth much in moyst and merrish medowes.

The vertues of knot grasse out of Dioscorides.



Be iuice of knotgrasse / if it be dronken / hath a byndyng and a coo- lyng propertie. It is good for them that spit blood / and for the flux and for such as choler bursteth out of both aboue and beneth. It is good for the strangurian / for it doth manifestly byng furth water. It is good to be dronken with wyne / agaynst the bytyng of venemus bestes. It is also good to be taken agaynst the fittes of agues an hour before theyr comyng. If it be layd to it well / stopp the isshues of women. It is good to be

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put

Of the herbe called Polygonatum or scala celi.

put in agaynst the rynnyng & mattery eares. It is excellently good agaynst the sores of the priuites/ if it be sodden with wyne and hony. The leues ar good to be layde to for the burnyng of the stomack for castyng out of blood/ for crepyng sores/ for hote inflammationes called saynt Antonies fyre / or of som other the wilde fyre/ for impostemes and swellnges and grene woundes. The semall which I call medow shauegrasse/ hath a byndyng poure & coolyng/ and it is good for all that the other kynde is good for/ but it is in all poyntes weyker. Galene besyde these properties/ that Dioscorides geueth vnto Polygonum/ assygneth also these y folow here after. As knotgrasse hath a certayn byndyng/ so doth a waterish coldnes ber the chefe ruel in it. So that it is in y second degre colde/ or almoste in the begynnyng of the thyrde degre. It is good to make a repercussive or backdryuyng medicine of it/ to dry ue bak agayn such humores as flow vnto any place.

Of the herbe called Polygonatum or scala celi.

Polygonaton.

Polygonatum angustifolium.



Polygonaton groweth in hylles or mountaynes. It is a bushe more then a cubit hyghe/ it hath leues lyke a bay tre/ but broder and smother/ which in taste hath a certayn thyng lyke a quince/ or pomgranat. For they send furth a certayn byndyng. There ar whyte floures about the out sprynges of euery lese/ mo in

mo in nombre then the leues ar/ if ye begin to tell from the roote. It hath a whyte roote/soft/long full of knees oz oyntes/coughe (as som translate thys woꝛde δακτυλ) oz thyk well compact together/ (as other turn the same woꝛde) and it hath a greuous sinell/it is about an ynche thick.

Thys herbe is well knowen bothe in England/and in Germany. It is called in English scala celi. The Duch men call it weisz wurtz/ the herbaries calle it sigillum Salomonis. It were better to call it by an English name taken out of Duch (from whence our English sprang first) whyte wurt then scala celi/ for so shall men lern better to know it/and to remembre the name of it.

The properties of Polygonatum or whyte wurt.

IT is very good for woundes and to scour away spottes and frekles/out of ones face. Som ble to make ashes of the root of thys herbe and to make ley of it/for to scour away frekles out of the face.

Of Asp, and kyndes of Popler.

populus I.

Populus II.



Dioscorides maketh but two kyndes of Populus / that is the whyte and the blak. But Theophrast/and Pliny/make thre kyndes/ Dioscorides and Theophrast call populum nigram αἰγερὸν, and populum albam λευκήν. But in Theophrast is ther yet an other

kynde

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kynde called in Greke *κεκλις* of hym. But why that it hath that name / I can not perfittly perceyue / *κεκλις* is as much to say in Latin as Radius / which betokeneth in our speche a beam / a spoke in a whele / the lesse bone in a mannis arm and a weuers instrument named a shittel. But I se no cause that *κεκλις* the thyrde popler / shuld haue hys name of any of these. But if that ther had bene in the stede of *κεκλις* *κεκλις* or *κεκλις* (which word it is possible that it hath ones bene in the text of Theophrast / and after ward changed by som writer into *κεκλις*) it were easye to tell / of what properti it were called *κεκλις*. For *κεκλις* in Greke is as much to say in Englishe / a pytefull noyse and *κεκλις* in Greke is / sound agayn. Therfore / if *κεκλις* worde had bene *κεκλις* to *κεκλις* thyrde kinde of popler shuld haue had the name of soundyng or of makyng of a noysum noyse. Whiche propertie Pliny in diuerse places geneth vnto the popler tre / and we se that in *κεκλις* wode popler / that it hath leues euer trymblyng and mouyng / & is in but a small wynde crackyng. Theodoze Gaza the translator of Theophrast / out of Greke in to Latin / turneth kerkin in to *populum alpinum* / that is an asp or popler of the mountaynes / called the alpes. Pliny called thys thyrde kynde *populum lybicum* / wher of I intend to intreat here after.

Of the kyndes of poplers out of Theophrast.



The whyte popler / and the blak / ar of one fasshion / they grow ryght by bothe. But the blak popler is longer and smother. They ar bothe like in figure of lese / They haue also bothe white wode / when as they ar cut down *κεκλις* or *populus alpina* / is not vnlyke vnto the whyte popler / bothe in bygnes and by *κεκλις* it spreadeth abroad with white boughes. It hath the lese of an Iuy / but in the one half with out a corner / on the other side a long corner / goryng to a sharpnes / with one color allinoste both vpon the ouer parte and nether parte also. It hath a long footstalk and small / & therfore it is not ryght out / but bowyng in. The bark is rougher then the white poplers bark is / and moze scabbed / as the bark of *αχελαις* is / whiche Theodoze turnerth a wilde pyne.

Thus wyrteth Theophrast in the thyrde booke *de historia plantarum* and in the xiiii. chapter. And in the xvi. chapter of the first booke *de historia plantarum* he wyrteth thus of the whyte popler / and not generally of euery popler (as Gaza translating *λευκη* not very well / *populum* with out any puttyng to of whyte or blak doth.) The leues (sayethe he) in all other trees ar in all poyntes lyke them selues / but the leues of the whyte aspe / of the Iuy tre / and of *palma Christi* / ar not lyke them selues / that is they haue som tyme one fasshon of leues / and som tyme an other fasshon. For when as they ar yong / they ar rounde / but when they ar olde / they grow in to corners. But it is not so with the Iuy. For the Iuy while it is yong / hath moze cornered leues / and when it comerth to perfitt age / then ar the leues rounder. And thys propertie belongeth feuerally to the oliue tre to the lynde / and to the whyte popler tre / for they turn downe theyr bypper partes by and by after solstitium (whyche is after Aetius the xxv. of Iuny & after Pliny the xxiii. of Iuny) and by that token the Husbaumen know that the solstitium of sommer is past. Theophrast wyrteth in diuerse places that the poplers grow by water sides / and in moyst places / as the noble Poet Virgil doth also.

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Here ar thre kyndes of Populus/ the whyte/ the blak/ and it that is called lybica/ which is lesse and blackest in the lese / and moſte comended of all other/ for veryng of tobestooles (oz as the Northumberlanders call them) bruches. The white hathe a lese of two colozes/ white aboue (which sayng of Pliny is not tre vntill the solstitiū be past for a fore that tyme/ the vpper parte is grene) and the vnder parte is grene. The rest that Pliny wyrteth of the poplers / sayng where as he taketh any thyng out of Theophrast is not worthy the wyrtynge.

Populus nigra which is called in Greke αἰγίρεος, and in Italian Dioponero/ in France du tremble oz Depleur/ in Duche Aspen / is not so comon in England/ as it is in Italy & hyghe Germany. The Populus is called with vs by two names / som call it a Poppler/ and other an Asp oz an esp tre. But not euery tre in England called Popler oz Esp/ is the ryght Populus nigra. For it that groweth in the hylles and dry woddes both in England & Germany/ is not the Populus nigra, but rather kerkis oz Populus alpina, of Theophrast/ oz populus lybica in Pliny. For bothe Theophrast and Virgil appoynte the water sydes & merrishe groundes vnto populo nigra. The popler/ also that groweth in the woddes of England (if my memory faile me not) haue no such blak tagges as the blak popler hath / which groweth in Germany by the rene syde/ hard by the city called Lauterburgh. Pliny also rekeneth the popler amongst the other trees whiche haue curled beynes in these wordes. Tarde illæ senescunt quarum crispa materies, vt acer, palma, populus. That is those trees ar long in comynge to age/ whose wod oz tymbre/ is curled/ as the maple tre/ the date tre/ and the popler tre. Hyther to Pliny.

I haue sene in Germany many well fauored thynges perteynyng vnto household stuff made of the blak popler/ which groweth by the water sydes/ as spowones/ tables/ dozes and chistres/ with a meruelus fyne curled grayn/ and pleasant to looke to. But the wod of our comon popler is nothyng lyke vnto it that I haue spoken of/ for it hath no such grayn oz curlyng/ therfore it is not þe ryght blak popler of Pliny and Theophrast. Therefore it were beste to calle populum nigrum a blak popler oz a blak asp/ oz a water asp/ and not by thys word popler/ oz asp alone.

As touchyng the whyte Asp / I remembre not that euer I saw it in any place of England. But I haue sene it in great plentye in Italy by the ryuer sede of Padus/ where as it is called albera/ and in hyghe Germany by the rene syde/ where as it is called saurbaum. If it be found in England/ it may be called a whyte Asp oz a whyte popler/ because the vnder syde of the lese is as whyte as any paper. The whyte Asp differeth not only from the blak in the whytenes of the one syde of the lese / but also in the form of the lese. For the whyte Asp hath a lese somthyng indented oz cut after the maner of palma Christi. But if any man cast agaynst me/ it that Theophrast wyrteth of bothe the poplers in the 14. chapter of the thyrd book de historia plantarum. το δὲ ἄμφω τῶν φυλλῶν παρόμοιον. That is the figure oz fasshon of the lese is lyke: I answer that thys lyknes is only when as the leues com first furth / and not afterwarde / for if they shuld be lyke afterwarde / then shuld Theophrast be contrary vnto hym self/ who in the

Of the asp and kyndes of Popler.

first book de historiaplantarum, and in the xvi. chapter writeth these wordes:
της δε λευκης, και του κηριου, και του καλομενου κροταφου φυλλα ανόμοια, κατετροσχημονα,
τα μλη γαρ νεα περιφερη, τα δε παλαιότερα γωνυειδη. The leues of the whyte po-
pler of the Iuy and of it that is called palma Christi, ar vnylike and diuerse in
figure. For when as they ar yong they ar round/ but when as they ar older
they haue corners/ there may ye se playnly that the leues of the whyte po-
pler when as they ar old/ ar cornered. Which thyng if it be true as I haue
sufficiently proued to be so/ the erre they very much and gyue other occasion
of error/ which set out in theyr herballles the whyte popler with a round lese
without any corners at all.

The thyrde kynde of popler which is called of Theophrast κερκισ or as I
gesse rather κηριον, and translated of Gaza populus alpina, and named of Pliny
populus lybica, is our comon asp in England/ or ellis I know not what it is.
The causes that make me to thynke that our comon asp is populus lybica in
Pliny/ and populus montana in Theophrast ar these: first bothe the lyknes of
leues that it hath with the blak popler and in many other so resembleth the
other poplers/ that I thynke that there is no man that hath sene the other
two kyndes of popler/ that wold deny but that thys is a kinde of popler. Then
when as it is nether the first kinde nor the seconde/ it is very lyke that it is
the thyrde kynde when as no other tre can be founde as yet for the thyrde
kinde. Theodor Gaza being a man of much reding/ wold not cal thys kinde
populum alpinam except ether som reson or autoptie that he had red/ had mou-
ued hym therto. Then when as thys comon asp tre is much in hygge moun-
taynes/ he semeth in calling the thyrde kynde of the popler populum alpinam,
to meane that Theophrast vnderstādeth by κερκισ that popler that groweth
in hylles and mountaynes. Then when as the comon asp groweth in such
places/ it is lyke that our comon asp shuld be κερκισ/ the thyrde kynde of Po-
pulus. Theophrast maketh the thyrde kynde/ lyke vnto the white popler in
hygges and in spredying abrode of boughes/ whych two thynges may be
found in our comon asp with the scabbednes of the bark in old trees/ except
my memory faile/ may also be founde: but as touchyng the propertie that he
geueth vnto the foot stalke of κερκισ/ I am sure agreeth wel with our comon
asp tre. But whether the leues that Theophrast geueth vnto hys κερκισ ar
agreyng with y leues of our asp or no/ I leue that to be iudged of them that
ar learned/ but I dowt som thyng that they do not in all poyntes wel agre/
or ellis I durst geue sentence that our comon asp were there κερκισ in Theo-
phrast. But though it be not κερκισ of Theophrast/ it semeth vnto me that it
may well be the thyrde kynd of Populus in Pliny which he called populum
lybicam. Pliny maketh one kynde of Populus to grow in the mountaynes
and that is nether the whyte nor the blak/ wherfore it semeth that it is the
thyrde kynde of populus. Pliny also maketh hys thyrde kynde of popu-
lus to haue grete todestoles growyng vpon it/ and he maketh the pople tre
to haue a trymblyng foot stalke and leues one crackyng agaynst an other.
Then when as the comon popler hath these properties more then any other
popler tre hath/ it is very lyke that it shuld be the thyrde kynde of populus/
which he called populum lybicam.

The vertues and complexiones of the Popler or asp trees.

Diuerse



Diuerser men ar of diuerse iudgements/ concerning the degre and complexion of the blak popler. For diuerse reken it hote in the thyrde degre/ and other reken it hote only in the first degre. And som holde that it is playn colde and nothyng hote at all. Aletius after the translation of Cornarius sayeth that it is hote in the thyrde degre. And in som textes/ Galene maketh it also hote in the thyrde degre. But in the best greke textes and translations that we now haue/ it is rehered to be hote/ only in the first degre. The wordes of the translators of Galene ar these: Aegyri flores facultate quidem sunt in primo recessu à temperatis. Sed & resina eius floribus similem facultatem obtinet, atq; etiam calidiorem. Then when as al these autores make y blak popler hote: som in one degre/ and som in an other: if sufficient autozpte of ancient wyrters may confute any man/ then is Amatus Lusitanus confuted/ by the autorite of the fore named autores where as he holdeth stid that the blak popler is cold. These by the wordes of Amatus/ lest any man shuld thynk that I reposite falsely of hym vnguentum populeum, prope tertium gradum frigiditatis, à doctissimis iudicatur. Proinde populum frigidam vel saltem non calidam esse necessarium est. And a litle after he alledgeth Galene/ Paul and Constantinus/ which write that the popler is but hote in the first degre. And whē as he hath alledged thez autozites/ he maketh thys unhede full consequent. Natura ipsa arboris, & proprietates, satis iudicāt calidam non esse, quibus magis credere debemus quā omnibus de ea hucusq; scribētibus. And afterward he maketh an other conclusion of these forecited autores & properties. Itaque populum ad frigiditatem potius quā ad caliditatem inclinare in confesso est. Now because som take hym for a man of grete autozite/ and worthy credit/ lest men shulde be led from the truth by hym/ and the opinion that they haue of hys learnyng/ I will assay if I can for the defence of the truthe confute hys resonēs where with he goeth about to proue agaynst the autozite of the noble wyrters/ whom I haue before reherfed/ that the blak popler is cold/ or at the leste not hote. Hys first argument is thys/ populeum is iudged of the most learned men to be colde about the thyrde degre/ ergo the popler is colde. Thys argument is not good/ because a lytle portion of an hote thyng may go in to a colde composition/ to lead the colde medicines to the diseased places/ or to correct or temper the vehemencie of unholsum cold simples/ and yet it is not therfore necessari that the hote medicine shuld be colde for beyng mēged with many cold medicines. Nether is it necessari that the cold composition shuld be made hote with a small portion of an hote simple medicine. If he had resoned thus: the best learned men iudge/ that the popler is cold about the thyrde degre/ ergo they erre that hold that y popler is hote/ had bene a good argument. But thē wold I haue denyed his antecedent/ & haue sayd/ that Galene/ Aletius/ Paulus/ Dybalius/ Serapio & Aui-cenna/ wer better learned then euer they wer that hold that the popler is so cold. For it is a false fallacie and a sophisticall argument to argue from a parte to the hole. As thus there is sum parte of the hoise is whyte/ ergo y hoise is whyte or all whyte. And euen such argument is thys. If populus were hote then shuld populeum be hote: but it is cold/ ergo populus is cold. When as ther go in to the oyntmēt populeum only xliij. vnces of the pople budēs/ there entre in xxxij. vnces of all very cold herbes/ which by many

Of the Asp and kyndes of Popler.

Unceſ ouercom the weike hete of the popler buddeſ/ and ſo abyde cold ſtill/ namely when aſ the poplerſ hete/ iſ but in the firſt degre/ and the coldneſ of the other/ iſ cold for the moſte parte of them all in the ſecond or thyrde degre/ and ſom of them be colde almoſt in the fourth degre. And therefore it foloweth not. Populeum iſ veri colde/ ergo populus which iſ a parte of it iſ alſo colde. But thys iſ one great cauſe of hiſ erroꝝ/ that he dyd not conſy- dre/ that learned men did put ſumtymes ſum portiones of hote ſimples in to medicines that take ache away/ not to make the hole compoſition hote/ but to conuey the other colde ſimples into y^e groid of y^e diſeaſed places. Whiche thyng Galene teacheth in the ix. booke of the compoſitiō of medicines after the places/ in theſe wordes. Ex opij & hyoſciami mixtura, ſomnum ſopori- ferum, & ſenſitiuæ partis ſtuporem inducere voluit. Quo verò citius diſtribuerentur, & totum affectarum partium profundum penetrarent: caleſcientia admiſcuit, pyrethru, euphorbium & piper, quæ nocentes humores diſcutere poſſint, & extergere viſcoſos, & ſecare craſſos, & ventōſos flatus, attenuare. Then were not the poplerſ buddeſ put in/ to make the hole medicine/ called populeū hote or colde/ but for thys purpoſe now reherſed. Hys ſecond argumēt goeth furthe thus. Galene/ Pau- lus and Conſtantineſ wyte that the popler iſ but hote in the firſt degre/ er- go it iſ colde or not hote: but thys argument iſ ſo vnlearnedly made/ that it nedeth but ſmall confutatiō. When aſ he ought by good logike to haue re- ſoned/ the olde wyrters hold that populus nigra iſ hote in the firſt degre/ ergo it iſ hote/ and in nowyſe colde. For to be hote in the firſt degre/ iſ to be one degre ſtop or order departed from it that iſtemperat or colde. And ther- fore Galene wyrtyn of y^e heatē of thys tre/ ſayeth in theſe expreſſed wordes. The floures of the blak popler ar hote in workynge, in the firſt departynge or goynge away/ or degre from temperat ſymples/ that iſ to ſay from ſuch aſ ar in a meane tēpe betwene hote and colde. Therefore/ ſeynge that he maketh hys concluſion/ contrari vnto hys antecedent/ that iſ an hote antecedent/ & a cold conſequent/ hiſ argument iſ worthy to be reſuſed.

Hys thyrde argument iſ thys: The popler tre hathe nether any notable ſmell nor taſte in it/ where by it may be iudged to be hote/ ergo it iſ no wyſe hote. Here I deny hys antecedent or ground of hys argument/ and I take wytnes of all learned men that haue taſted and ſmelled of the yōg buddeſ of the blak popler/ wheter they haue very pleaſant ſmell and an hote taſte or no. I anſwer that the popler buddeſ/ which I haue taſted and exami- ned/ both in England/ Germany and Italy/ ar hote/ and that the gum that com neth furth of the endes of buddeſ/ iſ hote about the ſecond degre/ & thys ſhall any mā that will try it/ fynde true/ namely at the firſt comynge furth of the buddeſ/ about the myddes of marche/ & in ſum contrees ſoner. There- fore for all the ſaynges and argumentes of Amatus/ y^e blak popler abydeſtill hote in the firſt degre at the leſte.

Cornarius perceyving that the blak popler was ſo hote: he thought it beſte to take the knoppes of y^e whyte popler. But whether he coſelled ryght or otherwayes/ if we had Nicolaum Alexandrinum in Greke/ we ſhulde eaſely iudge. For the Grecianes haue not one Greke worde to betokē both the poplerſ/ but they call the blak aſp αἰγερὸν and the withe λευκὸν. I wold wiſh both for thys cauſe and for diuerſe other that they that fynde any old Greke examples or copieſ of old autoꝝ/ and intend to tranſlate them/ that they

they shuld as well set out and cause to be printed the Greke textes as theyr own translationes/ for so myght men the better examin theyr translationes/ and the studious yowthe by comparynge of the together/ myght profit much more in y greke tong and practicioners myght be more bold to work accordyng to it that they haue translated.

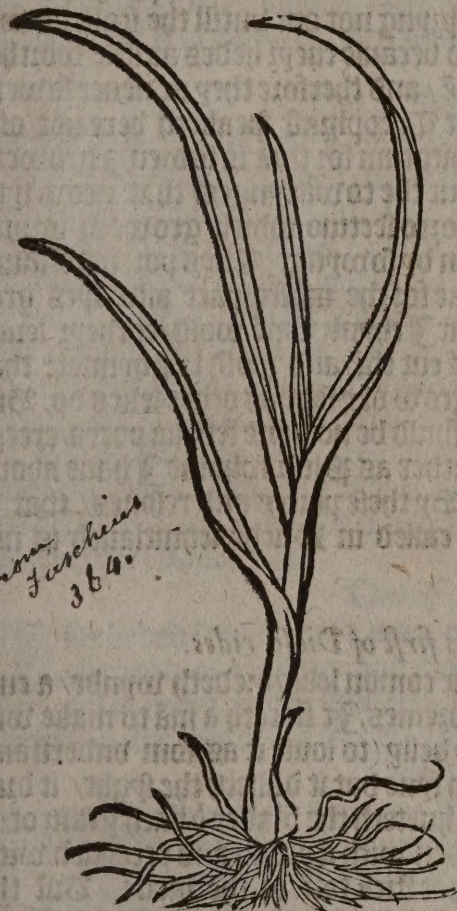
The vertues of the poplers out of Dioscorides.



The leues of the blak aspe/ ar good to be layde to with vinegre vpon the places that ar vexed with the gout. The rosin that cometh out of the popler/ is meged oft tymes with softenyng and souplyng emplasters. The sede is good to be drunken w vinegre of them that haue the fallynge syknes. An vnce of the bark of the whyte popler dronke/ is good for the sciatica and the stranguria. The iuice of the leues of the whyte popler poured in to the eares/ is good for theyr ach. The round pilles which com furth at y buddynge tyme/ broken and layde to with honye hele the dullnes of the eyesight.

Of the kyndes of lekes.

Porrum capitatum.



Drum is named in Greke *πρασορ*, in English a leke/ in Ducheyn lauch/ in Frech porrean. Dioscorides maketh mention but of two kyndes of lekes/ and that in diuerse chapters. But Plini maketh thre kyndes/ & Theophrast maketh mention of one kynde of leke/ whiche is nether *κεφαλοτορ* nor *αμπελοπρασορ*. Wherefor by Theophrast also there ar iii. kyndes of lekes. The first kynde named in Greke *πρασορ κεφαλοτορ*, in Latin *porrum capitatum*, is called in English a leke/ without any addition/ in Ducheyn lauch. The second kynde is called *porrum sectium* in Latin/ and in Greke *πρασορ κεραμοτορ*, as som wyters haue taught/ and it is called in English a freche leke. I neuer saw thys kynd sayng only in Englande. The thyrde kynde is called of y grecianes *αμπελοπρασορ* in Latin euen so/ because they haue no other name/ it myght be called *porrum vineale*. The Duch men call it wild lauch/ it may be called in En-

glish wilde leke. I neuer saw farer wilde lekes in all my lyfe then I saw in the sedes about Wounes in hygh Germany. For they were much larger in the leues and greater hedded then they were that I saw about Bon.

The

*Por-
sectium*

Of the kyndes of lekes.

The moſte parte of the writers of herballes in Germany teach that our ſine which they call ſchnitlauch is porri ſatiuum. But they are all farre deceyued for they ſchnitlauch is gethium/which is numbred of Plini amongeſt the kyndes of vniones/and is therfore no kynde of leke. For as all the kyndes of vniones haue round holow leues:ſo all the kyndes of lekes/haue open leues bowyng in agayn from/as it wer a rydge/or bak/porra ſectiua as Plini writeth haue litle creſtes in they leues/and he ſayeth that they differ only from other lekes/in the maner of dzeſſyng and ſettyng/and therfore he ſayeth/if thou wilt haue thy lekes/ſectiua/ſow the thicker together out of this place of Plini. I gather that of one kynd of leke ſede/may com both capitula & ſectiua porra. But there is no kynde of ryght lekes ſede whych will byyng furth ſines or ſchnitlauch after what ſoeuer faſhon ye ſow or ſett it. Therefore ſeyng that our ſine hath nether the leues of porri ſectiui/ nether groweth of the ſede of any leke/it can not be any kynde of leke/ although y^e Duche name of ſchnitlauch draweth nere vnto y^e name of porri ſectiui. Theophrast alſo ſemieth to make mention of porri ſectiui in the vij. booke de hiſtoria plantarum,in the ſecond chapter in theſe wordes after the tranſlation of Gaza. Gethium (that is a ſyne) ſpyngeth from the ſyde and the leke/ byyngeth furthe alſo from the ſyde benethe as it wer a round knopp^y hede from whence the leues ſpyng out/ but they ſpyng not out vntill the ſtalk be withered and the ſede be taken away. And becauſe they hedes are litle worthe/therfore men gather them not to dry the/ and therfore they are neuer ſowen. Thus far Theophrast. It appereth that Theophrast ſpeaketh here not of y^e comon leke which is called porrum capitatum for that is ſowen/ & groweth of the ſede/and ether neuer or ſeldum out the towarpynges/ that growe lyke litle knoppes/out of the rootes/ but y^e porro ſectiuo which groweth by pullyng away & ſettyng more comonly then by ſowpyng. This porri ſectiuum which is called in Engliſh a French leke for the moſte part alwayes groweth of ſettyng and not of ſowpyng. But I thynk if me wold let they leues and ſalkes grow furth/ and wold not cut the/and wold ſetthynner: that they wold byyng furth ſede and wold grow of y^e ſede as other lekes do. But the wold they grow out of kynde/and ſhuld be no more ſectiua porra/except they wer afterward cut & ſet thynk to gether as Plini whome I haue aboue reherſed/teacheth there ryght playnly. By theſe places and reſones/ that I haue ſufficiently proued that our ſinet called in Duche ſchnitlauch is not porrum ſatiuum but gethium.

The vertues of the lekes firſt of Dioſcorides.



He heded leke/that is our comon leke/ breedeth wynde/ & euell iuice/and maketh heuy dremes. It ſtereth a mā to make water/and it is good for the belly (to louſe it as ſom vnderſtand Dioſcorides.) It maketh ſyne but it dulleth the ſyght/ it draweth down flowres. It hurteth the bladder y^e hath y^e ſkin of/ & the kydnees. If it be ſodden with a ptiſan and receyued with meat:it will byyng out thoſe thynges that ſtick faſt in the bzeſte. But the ouermooſt buſhy toppes of the leues ſodden with ſee water/and vinegre/ar good to ſit ouer for the ſtoppyng and hardnes of y^e mother. If ye will ſethe a leke in two waters and afterwarde ſtepe it/in cold water/ it will be ſweete and

and lesse wyndpe then it wase before. The seide is sharper or more bytting/ & it hat a certayn byndyng poure. Wherefore the iuice of it wth vinegre stoppeth bloode/ and specialli it that commeth furth of y^e nose if Frankincense or the fine flour of it be menged therewith. It stereth by also the lust of a mānis body. And it is bled agaynst all the diseases of the breste/ licked in wth honny after the maner of an electuari. It is also good agaynst the ptisik/ whē it is taken in meate. It scoureth also the wynde pype. But if it be eaten/ it dullecth the syght and hurteth y^e stomach. The iuice dronken with honny is good agaynst y^e bytting of venemus bestes. Be & the lyke layd to it self is good for the same purpose. The iuice of the leke poured in to the ear with vinegre/ & frankincense/ & milk or rose oyle/ healeth the ach & soundyng there of. The leues layd to wth sumach of the kitchin/ take away varos (that is litle harde swelled lumpes in the face) and epinictidas (that is/ wheles that com out on y^e night/ which somtyme beyng rede/ if they be broken put furth blodi matter/ If they be layde to wth salt/ they bynge away the crustes of sores. Two drammes of the seide with lyke weyght of myrtill berryes/ if they be dronke they ar good for the casting out of blod of the breste. The wild leke or wympard leke/ is more hurtfull for y^e stomach then the comō leke. But it heteth more/ and stereth a mā more to make water. It byngeth also down floures. And the ble of it is good for them that ar bitten of venemus beastes.

Out of Simeon Sethi.



The leke is hote & dry in the first degre as Symeon Sethy wytteth/ but I reken that it is hote at the lesse in the seconde degre because it hath such vertues and workyng as one y^e is but hote in the first degre can not haue. And as many as ar folowers of Galenes learnyng in the boke of simple medicines/ as soon as euer they taste of y^e leues or seide/ will indge y^e leke is ether hote in y^e thyrde degre almoste/ or at the lesse in y^e secōde in y^e atremite. Besyde y^e properties y^e Dioscorides geueth vnto y^e leke/ Symeon wytteth y^e it maketh & hede ach/ hurteth y^e liuer/ & y^e it is good for y^e emrodes/ & for such as haue colde stomackes. And Galene generally wytyng of vnyones & lekes/ & of all suche hote herbes counselleth all thē y^e ar of hote nature to auoyde suche/ & y^e they ar only good for them that haue colde waterish humores or tonghe/ or clammy humores in theyr stomackes.

Out of Aetius.



The heded lekes ar of a sharp taste as vnyones ar. By reson where of/ they heat the body/ and make thin or breke grosse humores and cut in peces toughe humores. They purge y^e blader/ Paulus Egineta techeth y^e the seide of the leke is bled to be put in medicines for y^e kydnees.

Out of Plini.



The porrum sectium stancheth blod in y^e nose/ if ye breke the leke and meng it with gall or mynte/ if ye stop the nose thrilles therewith. The iuice of the leke takē with weomes milke/ stoppeth the isshue that commeth/ when a woman hath had hyr byrth before hyr tyme. The leues ar good for burnyng if they be layd to. So ar they good for the diseases of the eares with a gotis gall or lyke portion of honied wyne. Thys leke is also good for the

Of porcellayn.

the iauundes/and for the dropsey. The iuice takē in the mesure of an acetable that is about two vnces and an halfe with hony/scowreth the mother. It quencheth thirst/and dryueth away dronkenness and softeneth y belly. The great heded leke is stronger for all these purposes. The vse of lekes is good for thē that wolde haue chylder. It is also good for the clerenes of the voice/taken with a ptisan/or if it be taken euery other day raw/ in the mornynge fastynge. The lekes hedes twyse soddē/and the water changed/ stop y belly.

Out of the Arabians.



The leke byngeth weome theyr syknes/ and scoureth y breste/ and taketh away sour belchynges/ and softeneth the belly. The leke destroyeth the tethe/ and the gowmes. The leke of a naturall propertie is good for a moyst & stymie mother. The seede of the leke is good to make a perfume of/to perfume the fundament therewith agaynst fistulas that ar in it.

Of Porcellayn.

Portulaca,

Portulaca agrestis.



Porcellayn is named in Greke andrachne/ in Latin/ Portulaca/ in Dutch pursel of bursell. There ar two kyndes of porcellayn. The one is the comē porcellayn that groweth in gardines w the brode leues. The

The other groweth wilde in the wynyardes of Germany. They ar both so well knowen in all countrees that they nede no further description.

The vertues of porcellayn out of Dioscorides.



Porcellayn hath a byndryng pour. If it be layd to emplaster wyse with percheth barlei/ it is good for the hedeach/ and for the burnynge heate of the eyes/ and for other inflammaciones and for the heat of the stomacke/ and for the erysipelate called of som/ saynt Antonies fyre. It healeth the payn of y bladder. The same if it be chowwed after the maner of meat helpeth the teth/ when as they ar an edged/ the heat of the stomack guttes/ and it stilleth the flowyng. It healeth the fretynges or exulceraciones of the kyndnes and bladder. And it quencheth the outragius desyre to the lust of the body. So is the iuice also good if it be dronken in agues. It is also good for round wormes and agaynst the spittynge of blode/ and the bloody flit/ and the emrodes/ and the burstyng out of blode/ if it be much sodden. It is also good agaynst the bytyng of a venemus beast/ called seps not unlike vnto it that is called in the north parte of Englad a swyfte. It is very good to be menged with the eymedicines. When vse to pour it in/ agaynst the flyr of the guttes and the gnawynge or fretyng of the mooother. When vse also to pour it vpon the hede for y hede ach/ that cummeth of hete/ with rose oyle or other comon oyle. It is good also to rub the hed therewith/ with wyne agaynst the ploukes or blaynes that ar in the hede. It is good to be layd vnto rotten woundes that ar num with perched barley.

Out of Galene



Porcellayn is of a moyst and colde complexion where vnto is ioyned a litle tartnes. And therefore it dryueth bak flowynges of humores/ and specially such as ar cholerik and hote. Besyde that it changeth the/ and turneth them in to an other qualite/ colyng wonderfully. For it is in the thyrde degre or departyng from medicines of mean and temperat complexion/ coolyng/ & it is moyste in the second degre. By reson where of it helpeth the that haue a great burnyng heat/ if it be layd vpon y stomack/ and also ouer all the places about y myddriff/ specially in consumyng agues which ar called hectic. The iuice is much stronger then the rest of the herbe. Galene in an other book that he wrote de alimentorum facultatibus/ writeth that although som vse porcellayn as a meat/ that it is but of very small nourishment/ and y iuice that cometh of it is moyst colde and clammy.

Out of Pliny.

Porcellayn restreyneth the poyson of venemus arrowes of the serpetes/ also called hemorhoydes/ and of them that ar called presteres: if it be taken in meat. And if it be layde vpon the wound/ it draweth the poyson out. When as they can not be gotten/ the sede is as good to be vled as it. It withstandeth the vnholsoimnes of waters. It healeth sores if it be chowwed with hony and layde to. And so is it good to be layde vpon yong childers hedes and vpon y nauelles y go to farr out. If it be chowwed raw/ it helpeth
S the

Of Plumb trees.

the sores of the mouthe and y^e swellynge of the gournes. It is also good for the tuth ache. It is good to fasten lousse tethe. It streyngtheneth the iuice/ & dryueth thyrst away. It swageth the ach of the nek with lyke quantite of a gall and lynt sede. The sede sodde wth hony is good agaynst the short wynde. When it is taken in sallates/ it streyngtheneth the stomack. Porcellayn is good to swage the ache of woundes with oyle and perched barley. It softeneeth the hardnes of the synewes. It dryueth away the vncleane dremes of Veneri. Plini writeth also that a certayn noble man by wearyng of y^e roote of porcellayn about hys nek/ was deliuered from the buula/ wherewith he had bene longe before greuously vexed. Theses and many other properties doth Plinie write that porcellayn hath.

Out of the Arabianes.

Porcellayn hurteth the eyesight/ cooleth the body and stoppeth homy tynge. Porcellayn pulleth down the lust of the body/ it is colde in the thyrde degre/ and moyste in the seconde/ it mynischeth a mannis sede if he vse it muche.

Of the plum trees, bulles trees and slo trees.



Prunus which is called in Greke κοκκυμελια, is named in Englishe a plum tre/ in Duche ein plaumen baum/ in frenche vn prumer. Plini writeth thus of the diuersite of plum trees and plumes. Ingens turba prunorum, &c. Ther ar a great sorte of diuerse kyndes of plumbes/ one with a diuerse coloz/ an other black an other whytish. There ar other that they call barley plumbes of the folowynge of that corn. There ar other of the same coloz/ later and greter. They ar called day asse plumes of theyr vlenes. There ar also som that ar blak and more commendable/ the wery and purple plumbes.

These kyndes of gardin plumbes (if a man may trust Pliny) were not knowe in Itali in Catoes tyme. Dioscorides maketh mentio also of y^e wilde plumbes/ & so doth Galene and Pliny. Galene sayeth that κοκκυμελια αγρια is called in Asia προμνος, and the fruite προμνον. The Latines calle the plum tre spinum more then prunum as far as I haue red. For I rede only mention of prunus for a plu tre in Plini. For Virgil calleth the tre or bush that beareth plumes spinum in thys verse folowynge/ Georgicorum iij.

Eduramq; pirum & spinos iam pruna ferentes.

Palladius also in the thyrde book of husbandrie calleth the plum tre spinum/ and writeth that the apple tre may be grafted in to the spinum/ that is in to the plum tre. But when as spinus semeth to haue the name of pricks/ that tre that hath mani pricks and beareth plummes/ may well be called spinus/ whether it be wilde or tame. Also as there ar many kyndes of gardin plummes as Pliny hath tolde ys before/ and experience doth teach: so ar there also diuerse kyndes of wilde plumbes and plum trees. wher of I know two seuerall kyndes at the leste. The one is called the bulles tre or the bullestertre/ and the other is called the slo tre or the blak thorn tre. The bulles tre is of two sortes/ the one is remoued in to gardines/ and groweth to the bygnes of a good byg plum tre. The other groweth in hed-

in hedges/ but it neuer groweth in to þ bygnes of any grete tre/ but abideth betwene the bygnes of a tre and a great bushe. [I neuer saw in all my lyfe more plenty of thys sorte of bulles trees/ then in Sömerset shyre. Thys lesse bulles tre hat mo prickes then the greater hath/ wherefore it deserueth better to be called spinus for the names sake then the greter bulles tre dothe. And so the slo tre haupng yet mo prickes/ then ether of bothe hathe/ may better be called spinus then any of them bothe may be namely wher as w the other/ it beareth plumbes in form and taste lyke to the other sortes. But Cornarius holdeth contrary to the iudgement of all learned men of our age þ our comon slo bushe is not spinus oz prunus syluestris/ because it is not a grete tre able to be grafted in. For Palladius sayeth he maketh spinum to be a tre able to be grafted in. But seying that the slo bushe is not byg inough to be grafted in/ it can not be spinus. Thys argument doth folow very eucl/ for allthoughe Palladius iudgethe one spinum mete to be grafted in: yet for all that he maketh not euery spinum able to be grafted in. For nether he nor Virgill deny þ ther is any wilde kynde of spinus which may not be grafted in for litlenes. Nay it appeareth by Virgil þ he taketh our slo bushe for the wild spino/ whilse he wryteth þ the spineta do hyde the lylertes in the hete of sommer. But spinetū hath not þ name in thys place of Virgill/ nether of spina that is a thissel/ for lylertes vse not to hyde them amongst thyltelles/ & spina signifieth not a whyte hawthorn tre in good wryters/ except alba be put vnto it/ ye & that only in Columella that I remembre. Spinetum can nether com of the gardin spino/ nor of the great wild spino for they vse not to grow in any place so thyk together that the numbere of them may be called spinetum/ and so can not hyde the lylertes from the heat of the son. Therfore seying that spinetum is a thicket of spinis/ and is nether of the spinis herbaceis nether of the plumb trees/ nether of the great wild spinis/ it is lyke that he maketh his spinetum of our spinis syluestribus minoribus/ which ar slo bushes. And thys my opinion may well be confirmed/ by the cōpar yng of Theocritus & Virgil together. For where as Virgil/ a great folower and a translator of tymes of Theocritus hath/ occultant spineta lacertos/ that is the thicket of thornes hydeth the lylertes/ Theocritus hath after the translation of Eobanus Hessus.

Et uirides recubant subter consēpta lacerti.

That is the grene lylardes ly vnder the hedges. Marke where as the translator of Theocritus hath consēpta/ & Theocritus hath hys owself in hys Greke verse αἰμασῖαι, Virgil hath spinetum. But αἰμασῖαι properly signifieth an hedge made of thornes and not of trees. Wherefore it appeareth that Virgil taketh also spinum for þ blak thorne/ which in moste places serueth to make hedges of. And Pliny semeth also to call the slo tre which is so comen in all places/ prunum syluestre. For he wryteth thus of pruno syluestri. Certum est pruna syluestria ubiq; nasci, that is to say/ it is well knowen þ wilde plumbes grow in euery place whiche cā not be very fied of the bullesse tre.

These ones well consydered: I can se no cause why but our slo bush oz blak thorn is one kynde pruni syluestris/ & so spinus in old latin wryters. And where as Cornarius holdeth stidi that our blak thorn is poterid in Dioscorides/ and semeth to byng in there vpon/ that it cā not be prunus syluestris/

Of the plum tre.

leste Dioscorides shuld intreat of one thyng in ij. places/ contrari vnto hys maner: I will easely proue that poterion can not be for diuerse causes our slo bushe. First the branches of the blak thorn ar not long/nether softe/nether bowyng lyke a band/ for althoughe there be many branches vpon the stalk of the top of the blak thorn/ yet ar they not long/ but short and hard/and brykle.

The sloes ar of no singulare good smel/when as they ar smelled/for they haue ether very litle or none at all. Nether ar they sharp or byndyng and tarte/far from all sharpnes/wherefore seying Dioscorides requireth all these thynges in poterio/and they can not be found in our blak thorn/it can in no wyse be poterion.

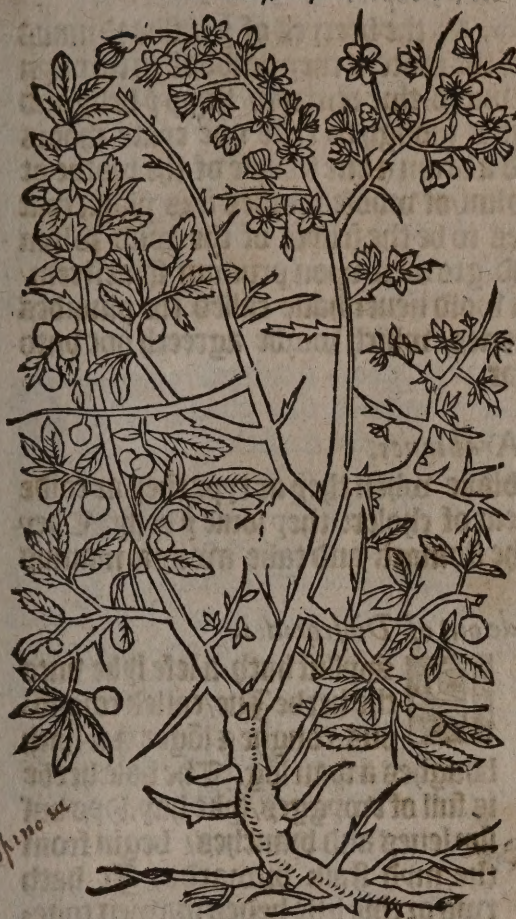
And where as he holdeth that our sloes ar brabylla/if he will receyue the autorite of Dioscorides and Pliny/he must nedes grant that hys opiniõ is not true. For Dioscorides writeth that the fruite of poterion/is good for nothyng:and Pliny writeth that the brabylla (for so hath my Pliny/ and not brabylla) vim habet spissandi cotonei mali modo: that is brabylla hath the pour to make thicke as the quince hath. Then can not the fruite of poterion be brabylla. Thys maketh also agaynst Cornarius/ that Pliny writeth of brabylla in these wordes: vim spissandi habet,nec amplius de ea tradunt autores: y is/ it hath pour to make thicke/ nether do old autores wyte any more of brabylla. For Pliny writeth in two places more of poterion/ folowynge the autorite of olde writers/therfore after the autorite of Pliny/poterion or the fruite there of/and brabylla can not be all one.And so can not our slo bushe be poterion/ and y fruite of it brabylla.And where as the sayd Cornarius iudgeth that the plum tre/where of Theophrast maketh mention in the thyrde chapter of the fourth booke de historia plantarum/is the bulles tre: he erreth as much there in/as he doth in pruno syluestri/in brabylla and poterio. For the tre that Theophrast maketh mention of/is of a notable bygnes/and the leues fall neuer from it.But the leues fall from our bulles tre and from the Duch mēnis bissen/and the tre is of notable bygnes/ therfore our bulles tre called in Hestia bissen/ can not be y prunus y Theophrast writeth of. Therefore Cornarius deserueth no credit in these hys gellynges/ though other wayes he be well learned in y knowlege of the Greke tōg/and a very good Grammarian there in.

The properties of the plum tre and hys fruite out of Dioscorides.



Plumbes ar euell for the stomacke/ but they soften y belly. The plumbes of Syria/ a specially they that grow in Damasco/ when as they ar dyed they ar good for the stomack and bynde the belly. The leues of the plum tre sodden in wyne/if a man will gargle with the wyne/stop the reum or flowyng of humores to the buula/ gournes and kinnelles vnder the iawes. The wild plumbes wil do the same when as they ar dyed after that they be rypp. If they be sodden with swete sodden wyne/they ar better for the stomack and fitter to stopp

Prunus sylvestris.



stop the belly. The gum of the plum tre gleweth together. If it be dronken with wyne/it breketh the stone and healeth the skurfenes of childer.

Out of Galene de simplicibus medicamentis.



The fruite of the plu tre louseth the belly/ but more when as it is moyst & fresh/ & lesse when it is dry. But I can not tell what

made Dioscorides to wyte y dyed Damascene plumes do stop y belly/ when as they do manifestly louse y belly/ but they y co out of Spayne are sweeter. The trees answer in proportion of qualite w y frutes. The fruite of the wild plum tre is manifestly byndyng and stoppeth the belly.

Out of Galene of the fourres of nourishmentes or meates



How shalt seldum fynde the plu b tarte or sour or to haue any vnpleasantnes/ whē it is

fully ripe. For plumbes before they cum to that ripenes/ they haue almoste all/ether a sournes or a tartnes. And other ar as it were bitter. The body getteth but small nourishment of the eatyng of plumes/ but they ar good for them that intende mesurably to moyste and cool theyr belly: for they louse y belly w theyr moystnes & symynes. Plumes whē as they ar dyed may serue & be profitables as dyed figges be. Men say y of all plumes they ar y best which grow in a city of Syria called Damascus. They gyue y secōd prayse to thē that cum out of Spayne. But these shew out no byndyng. But som of the Damascenus bynde very muche. They ar the best amōg thē/ that ar great/ with a mesurably byndyng and ar louse. But they that ar litle ones/ and harde and harrish tarte/ ar sterck noughts. Whether ye wold eat them/ or louse the belly with them/ which lousyng of the belly foloweth them/ that com out of Spayn. If plumbes be soddē in honied water/ wher in is a greater dele of hony/ they louse the belly muche/ although a man take them by them selues alone. And that do they muche more if a mā sup mede or honyed water after them. It is playn that it helpeth much to the lousyng of the belly/ after that ye haue taken them to drynke swete wyne to them/ and to let a certayn tyme go betwene/ and not by and by after to go to dinner. And ye must remembre that thys maner must be kept in all other such lyke as ar taken to soften the belly.

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Of Psyllium or fleasede out of Dioscorides.

Out of Plini lib. 23. cap. 7.



Yluestrum prunorum baccæ, &c. the berryes of þ wilde Prunus or pluntre/or the bark of the roote/if they be sodde in tart byndyng wyne/so that of x. vneces/thre remayn/ stopp þ belly and the gnawynge there of/ it is inough to take one cyate that is an vnce and an half/ and a dram & one scruple of the brothe at one tyme. Hyther to Plini/ of whose wordes it is playn that Cornarius erreth in denyng the flos to be the fruyte of the wild Plumtre. For if that only great plumes had growen vpon prunum syluestrum/ as Cornarius semeth to meane/ Plini wold neuer haue called the plumbes of Pruni syluestris baccas/ that is berryes/ which worde agreeth not vnto so great frutes as the great bulleses ar.

Out of the Arabianes.



He plumes bothe the white & blake when they ar ripe they ar colde and moyste/ they swage the heat of choler: they louse þ belly. They hurt somthyng the mouth of the stomack and take away a mannis appetite.

Of Psyllium or fleasede out of Dioscorides.

Psyllium.



Sylliū hath a lese lyke vnto the herbe Iue/ called coronopus/ roughe & longer/ & it hath boughes a span long. The hole herbe is full of twygges/ lyke hay. Hys busshy leues and branches/ begin from the myd stalk vwarde/ It hath two or thre litle hedes drawen together in þ top. Where in is an harde blak sede/ lyke vnto a flea. It groweth in feldees and bntilled groundes. Thus far Dioscorides.

Allthoughe I haue sene thys herbe oft in Germany and in Englad/ yet I neuer saw it grow wyld but onli in gardines. But hither to I could neuer learn the Englishe or Duche name of it. It may be well called fleasede or fleawurt/ because þ sede is very lyke vnto a fle.

The vertues of fleasede out of Dioscorides.



The nature of the fle sed is to coole. If it be layd to w rose oyl/ vinegre or water/ it healeth the ach of the ioyntes/ the swellynge about the eares/ hard and soft

soft swellynge both/ and places out of isynt / and it swageth the hed ach. Fleasde layd to with vinegre healeth the burstyng of chylder/ & the goyng out of the nauil/ye must take about two vnces and an half of the seide/and bruse it and stepe it/and lay it in two quarte of water/ and when the water is thicke/then lay it on. It cooleth exceedyngly. But if it be cast in to hote water/ then will it stanche the heat very well. It is good for y burnyng heat called saynt Antonies fyre/and hote cholerik inflammaciones. Som hold that if the herbe be brought in to the howse/it will let no flees bryde there/ the seide brused with grese/ scoureth stingkyng & greuous sores. The iuice of it is good wth hony for the rymnyng of the eares & agaynst woymes ther in.

Out of the Arabians.



Syllium swageth the gwaaynges and prickynge of the belly/and it swageth the sharpnes or rawnes of the gounes. It taketh also away the vayn desyre of goyng to the stool. It is good for the hed ach that cometh of hete. The iuice of the leues softeneth the belly by the reson of coldnes and moysture that ar in it. The harm that may com by the takyng of Psyllium is remedied with hote medicines. Psyllium loseth the belly taken in raw. But if it be perched or tosted at the fyre/it stoppeth the belly/two drammes of the seide of Psyllium is inoughe to be put in water: when it hath bene long inoughe in the water/take the water & put white sugar vnto it/and so receyue it/let all men take hede y they take not to muche of it/for it wil kill a man as well as many other poysones do. Galene writeth that Psyllium is colde in y second degre/ & that it is in a mean temp^re betwene moyste & dry.

Of the herbe called Ptarmica.



Ptarmica (as Dioscorides writeth) is a small bushyng/and hath many small rounde twigges not vnylike vnto sothernwood/ and about them grow leues lyke olyue leues/ long & many/ and in the top a hede lyke vnto camomyle / rounde and litle/ which with hys snel stereth a man to neese/ where vpon it hath the name. It groweth in mountaynes rocky places. Hytherto Dioscorides.

Diuerse learned men holde that the herbe which is called in Duche wilder bertram/ is Ptarmica in Dioscorides/ whose diligence & iudgement ar rather to be comended / then dysprayed. Allthough ther be two thynges in the description of Ptarmica/ which can not be well found in wilder bertram. The one is a lese lyke an oliue/ y other is to grow in mountaynes and rockie places. For y wilde bertram hath not a lese like an oliue / but much sharper/ smaller/ & longer/ for the bygner y it hath/ they ar also indented all about y edges of the lese/ & therfore is it vnylike vnto the lese of an oliue. And wyld bertram/ groweth wheresoeuer I haue sene it/ only about water sydes/ & in merzily medowes/ and neuer that I could se/ in rockes & mountaynes/ wherefore I dare not geue sentence wth y fore named learned men/ y the wilder bertram/ is y ryght Ptarmica of Dioscorides/ allthough it differ very litle or nothing at all/ from y right Ptarmica/ in woorkyng/ and so litle that a man may well vse the one in the stede of the other.

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Of Penny ryall.

Ptarmica.



The vertues of Ptarmica.

The leues of Ptarmica layd to with the fruite / haue a propertie to dryue away swellinges and old hard lumpes / and to purge brused places. The floures make one neese exceedingly: Galene writeth that Ptarmica beyng grene is hote and drye in the second degre / and when it is dyled / that it is hote and dry in the thyrde degre.

Of Penny ryall.



Pulegium is named in Greke γλῦχον or βλῦχον / in English Penny ryall or puddying grasse / in Duche Poley / in Frenche Pouliot. Dioscorides describeth not Penny ryall where as he intreateth of it / but he describyng dictamnium / maketh it to haue leues lyke vnto Penny ryall / but greater. Then when as dictamnus is well knowen to haue round leues / so must also Pulegium haue. It crepeth much vpon the ground and hath many lytle round leues / not vnlyke vnto the leues of merierum gentil / but that they ar a litle longer and sharper / and also litle indented rounde about / and greener / then the leues of merierum ar. The leues grow in litle branches / euen from the roote / out of certayn

Pulegium.



certayn ioyntes/ by equall spaces one deuyded from an other. Where as the leues grow in litle tuftes vpon the ouer partes of the braunches/ if the lower partes touch the ground/ righte cuer agaynst the tuftes of the leues they take rootes in the grounde/ and grow as well as the first rootes do: our comon Penny ryall hath purple floures / but there is an other kynde mentioned in Pliny / whych hath a white flour/ which he calleth the male/ as he called the comon one the female. Penny ryall groweth much with out any setting besyd hundsley vpon the heth/ beside a watery place. It groweth also much wylde in Germany in such pooles as ar full of water in wynter/ & ar al o2 for the moste parte dyled by in sommer.)

Roundle

The vertues of Penny ryall
out of Dioscorides.

Penny ryall maketh subtil / heateth & maketh ripe. When it is dronke / it draweth furth floures / secondes / and the birthe. Penny

ryall dronken wth hony and salt / byngeth furth such thynges as ar about the lunges. And it is good for the cramp. If it be dronken with vinegre and water / it swageth the lothsomnes / and the bytyng of the stomack. It byngeth furth Melancholi throughe the belly. If it be dronken with wyne / it is good for the bytyng of venemus bestes. It refresheth them that swoone / if it be layd to the nose with vinegre. If it be dyled and broken into pouder & burnt / it streyngtheneth the goumes: it is good for the gout / layd to by it self / untill the skin wer red. The brothe of it / taketh away ach / if the place that acheth be wasshed with it. It is good for the wyndynes / hardnes / and the turnyng o2 rylsyng by of the mother / if the patient sit in the brothe of it.

Out of Pliny.



Penny ryall draweth furth dede chylder / it is good for the falling siknes geuen in the measur of and vnce and an half / in vinegre. If thow must nedes drynk vnholsum water / then put Penny ryall in to it. The floures of the grene herbe set a fyre / kylleth flees with the smell of it.

Out of the Arabians.

Penny

Of Pyrethro out of Dioscorides.

Penny ryall that groweth about watery places/ is hote and dry in the thyrde degre / because it is made of a fyrie substance with som burnt erthly part. And that doth the sharpnes of it shew with a litle bitternes. The second workynges of it ar to dissolue/ to make subtil/ and to dye. The thyrd ar to prouoke water. Som holde that it is good agaynst the lepre and for them that ar bittefi of venummeg bestes / chesely / if it be layd vpon the bytynges. And it killeth also woymes / which brede in the eares. And it of the mountayn / is stronger and better then the other.

Of Pyrethro out of Dioscorides.



Prethrum is an herbe whiche hath a stalk & leues like vnto fenell or wilde daucus / and a shaddowy or spokye top with a round circle / as dyll. The roote is as great as a mannis thumb. It is excedyng hote & draweth out waterish flemme. Thus far Dioscorides / nether it that such sius & Matthiolus set furth / for Pyrethro / nether it that is comenly sold for Pyrethro / agreeth hole with the Descriptio of Dioscorides. For it that they set out / as theyr figures shew / hath only a top and floures lyke to camomyle / and no spokye top like dyl. And nether the rout of theyr herbe / nether of it that is comonly solde is so byg as a mannis thumb. Therefore the other new kynde of pylletori / refused of Matthiolus / for hys great excedyng heat / lyketh me better / if it haue leues & other partes agreyng with the rest of the description / then theyr Pyrethru doth. What meruel is it if the lately found Pyrethrum be very hote / whē as Galene geueth a blysteryng and burnyng nature vnto Pyrethro. And Dioscorides writeth that the root of it is feruidissima / that is molte hote or burnyng. Therefore I se no cause why that Matthiolus shuld refuse it / for the great heates sake / other markes and properties beyng present. And therefore I wissheth that we myght haue the other Pyrethrum. For it agreeth better with the Descriptio of Dioscorides / as far as I haue heard or red of it / then comon pylletori doth.

Pyrethrum.



The vertues of Pyrethro out of Dioscorides.

Pylletoris is good for the tuth ach if the tuth be wasshed with vinegre where in it is sodden. It byngeth furth waterish flemme if it be chowed. **If**

If the body be therewith anoynted & with oyle/ it stereth a man to swete. It is good for long cold shakynge. It is excellently good for any parte of the body & is fundied or foundered or made almost num/ with to much colde/ and such as ar stycken with the palsey.

Of diuerse kyndes of Pear trees and Peares.



Pyrum is named in Greke $\alpha\pi\iota\omicron\upsilon$ in English a Peare/ in Duche in Byr/ in frenche vn Doyre. Dioscorides writeth of two kyndes of Pear trees of the ortiard Peartre / which is comenly called in Greke $\alpha\pi\iota\omicron\varsigma$ and of the wyld Pere tre or chonke Pere tre/ or worry Pear tre/ whych is called in Greke $\alpha\chi\epsilon\alpha\varsigma$ in Latin Pyrus sylvestris/ or Pyrafter. Bothe these kyndes/ ar so well knowen that they nede no description. We haue many kyndes of gardin Peares with vs in Englande/ and som kyndes better then euer I saw in Germany for hol-sonnes/ and som in Germany moze pleasant and greater then euer I saw in Englad. I haue red in no old wyter so many kyndes of peares/ as I rede of in Pliny/ where of I will shew certayn Latin names/ & compare them with our Englishe peares and Duche peares/ as well as I can. Pyra superba/ that is to say/ proud peares/ are litle and sonest rype/ and these are called in Cambridge/ midsummer peares. Falerna pira haue theyr name (sayeth Pliny) of drynck/ because they be ful of iuice. These are called in som places watery peares/ or moyst peares. Dolobelliana are the peares that haue the long footstalkes. I remembre not how they be named in England. Fauoniana are rede peares/ a litle bigger then the midsummer peares. Autumna lia pira/ that is the peares of the autumnne/ whiche beginneth in the September/ are pleasant with a sour tast. Uolema wherof Virgil maketh mention in the second boke of hys Geozkes or husbandry/ in thys verse:

Crustumis Syrijsq; piris grauibusc; uolemis.

They are named also of Cato/ as Pliny writeth/ sementina and mustea. These because they are very heuy as Virgil sheweth/ and very greate / as theyr name betokeneth/ for they seme to haue theyr name of Uola/ that is the holow place or loof of a mannis hand/ because they be as big as a man can grype in the palm or loofe of his hande. These are comenly called in English wardens/ if they haue a bynding/ and be rede/ when as they ar rosted/ and indure vnto Marche or february. It appeareth that they haue theyr name of long keping/ for warden in Duche/ from whēce our English came/ is to kepe Serotina pira/ are they that hang vpon theyr mother vntil winter/ and were rype with the frost. These are partely our wardenes/ and partely other long during peares/ which are called in Duch winter biren/ and they may be wel called in English/ winter peares. Pliny maketh mention of diuerse other sortes of peares/ whereunto because I can not compare any of our peares/ I thinke it best to passe thē ouer in silence/ lest I should talke of such thinges/ as I haue no perfit knowledg of.

The vertues of pere trees and peares out of Dioscorides.

There ar many kyndes of peares/ & al ar binding/ & for & cause they ar bled to be put into emplasters/ which stop & course of humors that rin to any place. The broth of dried peares/ stop the bellye. They ar euell if they be eaten fasting/ & iuice of & peare tre leaues/ is good for & biting of venemus bestes.

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Of Pyrethro out of Dioscorides.

Mild peares ar moze stoppyng and byndyng / then the gardin peares ar. An so lyke wyse ar theyr leues moze byndyng. The asshes of the Peare tree / ar good agaynst the stranglyng that commeth of todestooles or mushrummes. And when as wilde Peares ar sodden with tooditooles they will not hurt them that eat them.

Out of Aetius



He leues and twigges of the Pear tre / ar byndyng an tarte. The fruite hath a certayn waterishe sweetenes / where by a man may learn to know that the complexion of it is not a like / in all partes. The Peares ar good for the stomack / & quenche thyrste / if they be taken in meat. But when as Peares ar put in to emplasters they drye and coull mesurably / so that I know that a wound was healed there by.

Out of the Arabians.



Great Peares haue moze streingthe or vertu then litle Peares haue / And Peares nozish moze then quinces do. A syrope made of the iuice of Peares stoppeth the isshue of choler / or cholerik flux. And they make skin in the stomack if it be gone of. Peares of theyr propertie that they haue / brede the colike. Therefore they that eat Peares / must drynk wyne sodden with hony and spices (or any good hypocras made of wyne sugar and other warme spices.) Unryp Peares ar colde and drye. But ripe Peares ar temperat / in a mean betwene heat and cold / or they bow a litle to coldnes. Peares þ ar very swete (as Rasis writeth) cool not / neuerthelesse they hynde all. But if they be taken after meat / they help to dryue furthe it that is in the guttes / but yet for all that / they stopp after wardes.

Out of the Phisiciones of Salern.

Adde pyro potum nux est medicina ueneno,
Fert pyra nostra pyrus sine uino sunt pyra uirus:
Cum coquis antidotum pyra sunt, sed cruda uenenum,
Cruda grauant stomachum, releuant pyra cocta grauatum,
Post pyra da potum, post pomaq; uade cacatum.

that is /

After Peares drynk a walnut / is a remedy agaynst poyson. Our peartre byngeth furth Peares / but peares ar poyson with out wyne. When as thow sethest Peares / they ar a triacle / or preseruatiue: but raw / they ar poyson. Raw Peares burden the stomack / but roasted or sodden / relese & lighten the stomak. After Peares gyue drynk / but after apples go to the stool.

Out of Symeon Sethi.



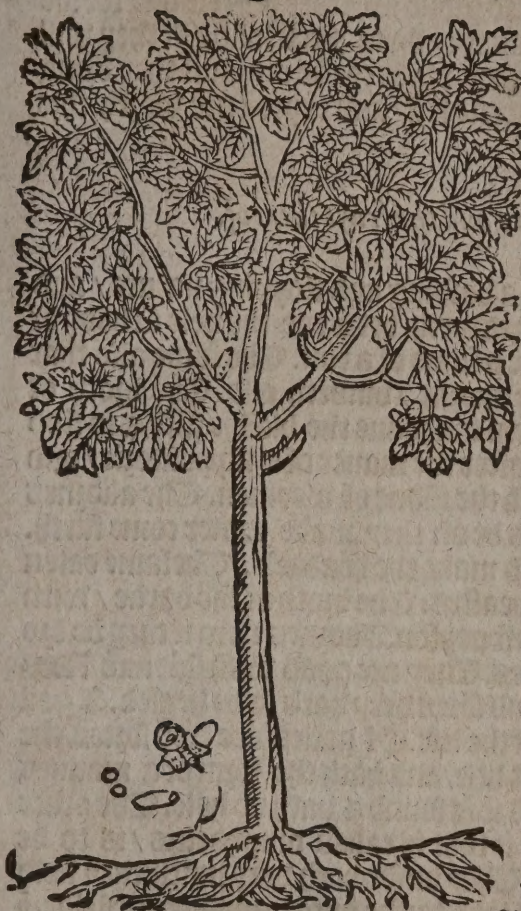
Peares ar colde in the first degre / and drying in the second: But they that ar sweter / and ripe / they haue som parte of heate and moysture. But they that haue a menged nature / whether they be swete and byndyng / or sourish / or whether they haue a litle drynes / if they be taken before meat / they stopp the belly. If a man fill hym self with peares of tymes / they brede the colik / but they ar good for hote stomackes. The granes that ar found in Peares / of a certayn propertie that they haue / ar good for the kydnees.

Of

Of the oke tre.

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Quercus.



Althoughe quercus in Latin be th tre which is called in English an Oke tre/ or in y North countre an Eike tre/ in

Duche ein Eichbaum/ yet *Quercus* and *Balanos* in Greke/ and glans in Latin: are comon vnto many mo trees then vnto the oke and to his fruite. For dris is comon vnto diuers kindes of trees/ as Dioscorides & Theophrast beare witnes. And balanos is comon to al their fruites/ and so is glans comon vnto many fruites of trees/ firste to the fruite of the oke and to the fruit of roboris/ esculi/ cери & suberis. For all these trees bying furth glandes/ and are called in Latin/ arbores glandifere. But none of all these grow in England/ savinge only the oke whose fruite we call an Acorn/ or an Eykorn/ that is y come or fruit of an Eike. Som make two kindes of okes/ the one that beareth only akornes/ and oke apples. And an other kind/ that is much lesse (as they saye) then the comon oke/ that

we vse comonly to byding of houses. I haue not sene any galles in Englad growing vpon oke leues. But I haue sene them growing vpon oke leues/ not only in Italy/ but also in very great plenty in East fressland/ in a wode a litle from Aurike.

The galles of Italye come to perfection/ and are at leyngth harde/ but they of fresslande/ beyng ones taken with cold wether/ and moyste/ are neuer hard but soft. Not withstanding I haue proued that they serue well to make ynke of. Indede the okes that haue the galles growynge vpon theyr leues in fressland/ are lesse then our okes be. But I thynk that the cause is ether that they are but yong trees/ and haue bene but of late set/ or they are so oft hewen doune (for there is very small store of wode in all fresslad) that they can not come vnto any perfit greatnes. If there be such diuersite of okes/ that som will beare galles/ and som will beare none: it were wel done/ to fetche som from fressland/ and to plant them in som hote sunnye place of England/ to se whether the ayr of the countre or kind of tre or no is y cause that galles grow vpon som oke leues/ and not vpon other som. It was told me by a learned man/ a frende of myne/ that in the year of our lordc M.D. LXXII. that there was a great plenty of galles found vpon oke leues in the North countre of England/ and namely about Hallyfax. Wherefore it

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appeareth

Of the oke tre.

appeareth that the heate helpeth much to the bringe furth of galles. But howsoever the matter is: it were good to proue whether y frese oke wolde also wyth vs bring furth galles or no/as they do in frefeland. If they will bring furth such/then shall they bring great profit to the realm: if they bring not furth/there is not past an halfe crowne lost/ and experience worth thre crownes should be learned therby.

The vertues of the oke tre and the fruyt thereof.



Every kinde of oke hath a binding and stopping nature / and specially that part that groweth betwene the bole or body of the tre and the bark lyke a filme or a rim. The filme also that is vnder the shelle of the akorne / bindeth also. The broth of these are geuen vnto them that haue the blodye fluxe / & to stop blood. The same made after the maner of a suppositorie / and put into the conuenient place / stoppeth the issue of weomen. The akornes are of the same vertue that the skinnies be of: they make water come furth. If they be eaten they bryde winde and make the headach. The same eaten withstande the byting of venemous beastes. The broth of the barke / with howes milke dronken / is good agaynst poyson. Akornes raw if they be broken and layd to / swage hote burninges. They are good with salt and swynes grese for very sore hard lumpes and sores very hard to be healed. A gall is the fruite of an oke / and specially of the lese. Of galles are two sortes / the one is called omphacitis / and it is but litle / and hath the form of a mannes knockle / or of the ioynte of a man: and it is sound & hath no hole. The other is smooth and hath no hole in it. But it that is called omphacitis / is to be chosen whych hath moste streyngh. They binde both very much: they hold doune / when as they are broken and layd to: the outgrownges of fleshe / & issues of the mouth that childer haue moste comonlye. The inner parte of the gall within the shell put into the holes of the teth / swage the ach of the. The same burnt vpon the cooles / and quenched wyth wyne or vinegre / or byrne made with vinegre / stoppe blood. It is good for weomen to sit in the broth of them agaynst the falling of the mother / and agaynst the issue of the same. They are good for the bloody flux / and the other also / ether layed to with wine or water. To conclude ye may vse galles as oft as ye haue nede to stop and to drye.

Out of Galene.



All partes of the oke are bindinge or stoppinge. I remembre that ones I healed a wounde / that was made with an hatchet / with the leues of an oke / whē as ther was no other medicine at hand. I ground y leasēs vpo a smoth stone / & I laid y brused lese vpo y wounde / & about euery place about it. The fruite of the oke hath lyke pour with the leues. Som vse the fruyte of the oke agaynst inflammaciones at the firste beginninge of them.

If or

Of Cinkfoly, or five fingred grasse.

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For such inflammations as are very great neede not bindinge medicines. The gall is drye in the thyrde degre/ and colde in the seconde. The gall/ if it be sodden by it self/ and afterwarde broken/ and made after the maner of an emplaster/ is a good remedy agaynst the inflammation or burning heat of the fundament/ and for the falling downe of the same. when as ye will seth the gall/ if the disease requyre great adstriction/ or binding/ then sethe it in wyne. If it requyre but litle/ then sethe it in water. And if ye will haue it yet more binding/ seth it in rough of harrish wyne.

Out of Simeon Sethi.



Cornes are harde of digestion and nourishe very much. But they go slowly doune/ and they make raw humores. wherefore we forbid the vse of them for meates.

Of Cinkfoly, or fyue fingred grasse.

Quinquefolium primum.

Quinquefolium secundum.



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Quinques

Of Cinkfoly, or five fingered grasse.

Quinque folium luteum minus.



Quinquefolia
is named in
Greke πντα
φυλλον / i En
glish Cinkfo
ly or fyuefin
ged grasse
or herbe fyue
lese / in Duch

funffinger kraut / in frenche quintes
suille. Herbe fyuelese / as Dioscorides
wyteth / hath small strawish braun
ches a span longe. And in them gro
weth the fruite or sede (as som trans
late here in this place καρπον) It hath
leues lyke minte / fyue growing oute
of euery lese stalk / and seldom more /
diuided or grapped lyke a saw / and it
hath a floure whitish pale / with the
lykenes of gold. It groweth in wa
tery places / besyde diches and condit
tes: it hath a lōg redish roote / thicker
then it of black helleboz. Thus far Di
oscorides.

Dioscorides maketh but one
kinde of Cinkfolye / but other after
him / haue founde out foure kindes /
wherof they make sanicle one kinde /

but without reason in my iudgemēt. I know thre notable kindes. The first
is the comon fyueleued grasse that groweth euery where. The second kind
is many partes greater / and groweth only in pooles / and merrish groundes
commonly ouerflowen with water. The thirde kinde is it (as I gesse) that
Pliny speaketh of / where he maketh cinkfoly to bere strawberries / I found
ones this kinde (except I be deceyued) growing vpon the walles of a citye
called Cour / in the land of rhetia / a litle from the Mayn alpes. The leues
and stalkes were all rough / the floures were yelow. And where as y flou
res were fallē of / there saw I in som litle knoppes lyke vnto strawberries /
which vpon the one syde were whitish / and vpon the other syde redish / as
far as I can remembre / whych as I thought by the tokens y sawe then
appearinge / if they mighte haue crommed vnto theyz ripenes / shoulde haue
bene ether ryght strawberries / or ellis a fruyte much lyke the. But because
I saw not the fruite rype in his perfection: I dare not geue sentence that it
was a ryght strawberry. But it is very lykely that the often syght of such /
made Pliny iudge / that Cinkfoly dyd byng furth strawberries.

The vertues of herbe fyue lese out of Dioscorides.

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The broth of the rote sodden untill the thynde parte be sodden away/ and stanche the tuth ache if it be holden in the mouth. Thesame stoppeth the rotting sores of the mouth/ if it be washed therewith. It healeth the roughnes or sharpnes of the windpype if ye gargle with it. It is good agaynst the blodye flux and other fluxes. Also if it be dronken / it is good for the payn of the ioyntes/ and in the huckelbone/ called Sciatica. Thesame sodden in vinegre and broken and layd to/ stayeth and holdeth back creeping sores called Herpetas: it driueth away wenmes and hard swellinges and windy swellinges/ and healeth the enlarginges of wind or puls veynes/ called aneurismata/ impostumes/ hote inflamations called erysipelata/ agwayles in the fingres/ or toes/ hard lumpes that put furth blood in the fundament or mother/ and also scabbes and scuruiues. The iuice of y yong roote is good for the diseases of the liuer and lunges/ and are also good for deadly popson. The leues are dronken with mede/ or honye/ water/ or with watered wyne/ and a litle peper agaynst agues that come agayne at certayne tymes. Dioscorides sayeth further (but me thynk/ that it smelleth of superstition) that in a quartayn/ the leues of four stalkes ought to be taken/ in a tertian the leues of thye/ and in a quotidian the leues of one stalk. If it be dronken xxx. dayes together: it is good for the falling siknes. The iuice of y leues dronken in the mesure of thye ciates that is in v. vneces or thereabout: healeth quickly the iaundes or guelsought. If it be layed to with honye and salt / it is good for fistules and woundes: it is also good for the brekinge or bursting of the bowelles/ both layd to without and also dronken / and so is it also good for the bursting out of blood.

Out of Galene.



The roote of the fyueleued grasse dryeth exceedingly/ and is berpe litle sharpe. wherfore it is greatly vled/ as all other herbes be/ which beynge of fyne and subtil partes yet drye with all.

Of radice or radish.



The herbe whiche is called in English / radice or radish/ in Duche Reticch/ in Frenche/ Raue or Refort / is named in Greke/ ραδις and ραυος/ and in Latin Radix/ and of som radicia. But som of the old Greke writers vled this worde ραυος for cole/ wherof Pliny toke occasion of error/ gyue vnto radice that which belonged vnto cole.

The description.



Radice hath leaues lyke vnto rapes leaues/ & mustarde leaues/ but there are more spred vpon the ground: the stak is great & round: the floures are whyte/ the sede which is browne and turning a littel to reddishe/ is conteyned in litle coddies/ there are two kindes of gardin radice/ whereof one with a longe rowt/ which is very comon in England/ and in law Duche lande: and this kind is called of some Radix cleonia/ and of other Radix algidensis / and y other wyth

Radix primum.



Radix secundum.



Radix tertium.



with a round root / not muche vnlyke
vnto a rape. Thys kinde is more com-
mon aboute Strasbourgk in highe
Germany / then in an other place that
euer I came in: this kinde is called of
som Radix Beotia / and of other Ra-
dix Syriaca: it is seldom sene in En-
glande / but it may be named rounde
radice / or rape radice / or Almayne ra-
dice.

There is yet an other kinde of radi-
ce / wherof Dioscorides / & Pliny make
mention of / and it is called in Greke
ραφανισ αργει / in Latin *Armoracia* /
in Italian / as Mathiolus sayeth *Ra-*
moracia. Dioscorides writeth þ wilde
Radice hath leaues lyke vnto the gar-
din radish / sauinge that they are more
lyke the herbe called *Lapsana*: If
this be true / all they haue erred / which
haue taughte that the greate herbe /
whiche hath leaues lyke vnto a great
dock / and a berpe sharpe / and bitinge
route / called in Duche *Mer rettich* /
and in Englishe redcole / should be *Ar-*
moracia or radix *Syluestris* / for there
is no

Is no lykenyng betwene the lefe of a dorch/and tame or gardin radice.

Therefore seynge that Dioscorides maketh the leaues of the wilde radice lyke vnto the leaues of the gardin radice and to lampfana/ whiche I take to be a kynde of carlok/this herbe wyth the doches leaues can not be radix syluestris. The same Dioscorides writeth that the wilde radice hath a smale tender or softe route/ and somthinge sharpe or bitinge as the common Greke texte hath/ but better textes haue in stede of malache/ma-hra/that is longe. But the red cole/whiche manye of the Germaines take for wilde radice/and Armozacia hath a great and a very sharpe or bytinge route/wherfore it can not be radix syluestris Dioscorides.

Nowe it wil be requyred of me/what I do take for the wilde radice: surely I take for it an herbe which is named aboute Weissenburg/ where as I dyd dwell/Weissen hederich/ and of som wildt rettich: this herbe groweth alwayes in that countrey amongst the rapes: it is very lyke the carlock/ but it is lower/ and it hath a white floure/ and a smale route/ but somthinge of the taste/ and somthinge of the foyme of the longer radish: the leaues are cut/ and indented/ as the gardin radice leaues are/ and somthinge smother/ then the carlocks leaues. It appeareth that Pliny toke this herbe for lapsana/ lib. ii. cap. ix. and falsely set it among the kyndes of cole/ when as he ought to haue set it amongst the kyndes of radice/ for Pliny in diuerse places nameth it radice/ that he shoulde name cole/ as he doeth in the eleuenth booke/ and thye and twintigest chapter/ and in the fuententh booke/ and four and twintigest chapter/ and so it appeareth that he taketh cole also in the stede of radice/ and confoundeth the one with the other.

The wordes of Pliny that make me iudge thus of him/ are these. Inter syluestres brassicas lapsana/ est pedalis altitudinis/ hirsutis folijs/ navi similis/ nist candidior/ esset floze. I moued with these wordes with Pliny a great while toke wilde radice or hederich/ for lapsana/ but after more diligent examinacion/ I founde that it was radix syluestris in Dioscorides/ that lapsana was an other herbe.

The vertues of radice or radish.



The radice breedeth wynde/ and heateth: it is pleasant to the mouth/ and euell for the stomack. It moueth belchynge/ and maketh a man make water/ and is good for the belly/ that is to make a man go to the stoole. If it be taken before meat/ it holdeth bp/ wherfore it is good for them that wolde vomite/ if it be taken before/ it quickeneth the wittes of senses/ it is good for an old cough/ and for them that brede grosse humores in theyr brei-tes/ if it be sodden and eaten. If the barke of it be taken with honied vine-gre/ it stereth vomit the more. It is fit for the dropsey. It is also good to be layd vpon them that are discaled in the milke/ with hony it stayeth scoting sores/ and taketh awaie blewie markes. It helpeth them also that are

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bitten

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Of radice or radish.

bitten of a biper or adder. It filleth by with heyze agayne the places that were bared with scaldnes: and with the mele of darnell it wasteth awaye frickelles. Both in meat and drinke it is good for them that are almoste strangled with todsoles/ and bringeth weomen downe theyr floures/ the sede stereth on to vomit/ and maketh one pisse well: the same dronken/ wasteth the milt: it is good for the sqwinsey/ if ye seth it with honied vinegre/ and gargle with the broth of it/ beyng hote in youre mouth: it is a remedye agaynst the biting of the beast called Cerales/ if it be dronken with wine. The same layed to with vinegre/ doth mightely stowe awaye gangrenes/ or extreme hote sores.

The nature of the wilde radice.

The wilde radice heateth/ and prouoketh a man to make water/ and it is full of heat/ the rootes and leaues are sodden and eaten after the manner of other eatable herbes.

Out of Galene.

The radice is hote in the thyrde degre/ and drye in the seconde. But the wilde is stronger in both those qualites/ wherefore there seemeth to be a fault in the text of Dioscorides/ where as he hath υποδριμς/ because alio Dioscorides sayeth his self after ward/ δερματικη ος και καυματωδης.

The sede also is stronger then the herbe/ it hath the powre to make rype/ and therefore it is good for hyned/ and suche lyke bletoe places/ Townes men or citizens ble to eat radice raw/ w a salte sauce lyke salte fische byrre/ without vinegre/ at the beginning of theyr dynner or supper to make theyr bellies soluble: I marvel not onely at vnlearned/ but also at Whisicenes/ which eat radices after supper and that raw to helpe their digestion: they saye that they haue experience that it wil do so: yet for all that theyr hath bene no man which hath folowed them without hurt: hether to Galene.

Of the rape or turnepe.



Apum named in Greke ραπυς/ and is called in English of them of the South countre/ turnepe/ of other countre men a rape/ in Duche rubē/ in French naueau/ in Spanishe nabos/ in Italian rape.

There are thre kindes of rapes/ one gardin rape whiche is rounde and berre great/ and an other gardin rape/ whiche goeth oute abrode/ as Pliny writeth/ and the thyrde which is called the wilde rape/ and it rinneith furth a long.

Theophrast diuiderh the rape into the male/ and the female/ and writeth that they grow both of one sede/ and that the rapes satwen/ a set thicke together/ grow al into males/ and if they be thynner set/ they grow into females/ where upon a man may gather that the great headed ones/ are the females/ and the longer and smalet headed/ are the males/ because thicke setting of headed routes commonly maketh them small/ and the thinne setting/ maketh them greater/ as the fat ground also maketh greater/ and the leaner ground the lesse and thinner.

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The great round rape groweth in very great
plenty about London, more here than in
any other parts of England that I know of.

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114. Ranunculus *fl. sarts*. two are Anemones

R. pulsat. *A. nemor.*

In English Crowfoot or Kingcups

It calls *R. Flammula* & Speerswort

because it hath leaves like a spears head

It grows in moist & a very places

It says one groweth in woodes & shadowe

places it has a white flower and flowery

April. *A. nemorosa*.

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The great round rape/ called commonly a turnepe/ groweth in very great plenty in all Germany/ and more about London/ then in any other place of England that I knowe of: but the long rooted rape/ groweth very plentifully a litle from Linne/ where as much oyle is made of the seede of it.

The garden rape is so well knowen that it needeth no description/ & therefore Dioscorides doth not describe it.

And although Dioscorides doth describe the wilde rape/ yet could I not finde any herbe that answered in all poyntes unto that description. And though I following my maisters/ haue thought y^e the common rapuncel should be y^e rapistrū or rapum syluestre/ yet after more streit examination I founde y^e the description of Dioscorides in diuerse poyntes dyd not agree wth it.

The vertues of the rape.

The root of the rape lodde/ nourisheth/ breedeth winde/ & maketh a louselesse/ & stirreth a man to clenerie. The broth of rape is good to be poured vpon gouty members/ and kybed or mooldre heles. But y^e rape it selfe/ broken/ and layed to/ is also good for the same purpose: if ye make an hole in the rape/ and put in it the cerat of roses/ & set it in y^e ashes untill it be molten/ it is very good for the kybes or mooles y^e haue the skin of. If ye eat sperage wth rapes/ therit will prouoke a man to make water: the seede is very mete to be in preseruatiues & triacles/ and such compositions as stanche or lyffe ake. The same dronken/ is a present remedy agaynst poysoned and deadly drinckes. The same seede of rapes stretcht by also the pleasure of y^e bodye: the rape layd by in hyne/ nourisheth lesse/ but it maketh a man to haue an appetite to meat. Dioscorides maketh no mention of any nourishment/ y^e the wild rape shoulde gyue/ but that it serueth for scouring opyntmentes/ and soopes/ for the beautifyinge of the face/ and other places of the body.

Out of Galene.

Al that standeth out of the ground/ is fit to be eatē/ as an eatable herbe/ y^e roote which is in y^e ground/ is harde & not mete to be eatē/ but whē it is lodden in water/ it is metuell/ if any of the lyke kindes of herbes nourish lesse/ it maketh a iuice in the bodye grosser the measurable: wherefore if a man eat of it out of measure/ it engendreth a rawe iuice/ specially if the stomack y^e receyue it be weyke: it requirerh long sething/ and it is mooste to be commended that is twise lodden: if it be taken something to rawe/ it is harder to digest/ and it is full of winde/ and hurtful to the stomack/ and somtyme it grypeth or biteth the stomack.

Out of Simeon Sethi.

The rapes are hote in the second degree/ & moyst in y^e first/ they nourish sufficiently/ & prouoke brime/ & ingedre much seede/ & swage y^e roughnes of y^e throat & breast. If they be eatē wth salt & vinegre/ they steepe up an appetite: Rapes of a certayne property that they haue by their selues/ are good for the whyt stawe/ and such lyke diseases of the nayles.

Out of darrois.

Rapes are hote/ and moyst/ and brede winde/ and steepe by pleasure of y^e bodye/ because they heat the kidnes/ and they haue a maruelous property to lyght the eyes/ or to make the eye sight clere.

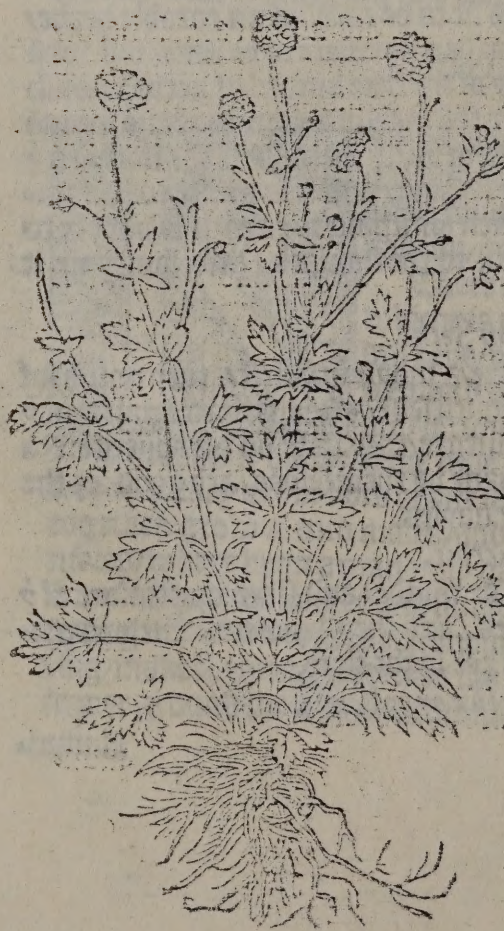
Of Crowfoot kingeux or gollande.

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Ranunculi prima species.



Ranunculum tertium.

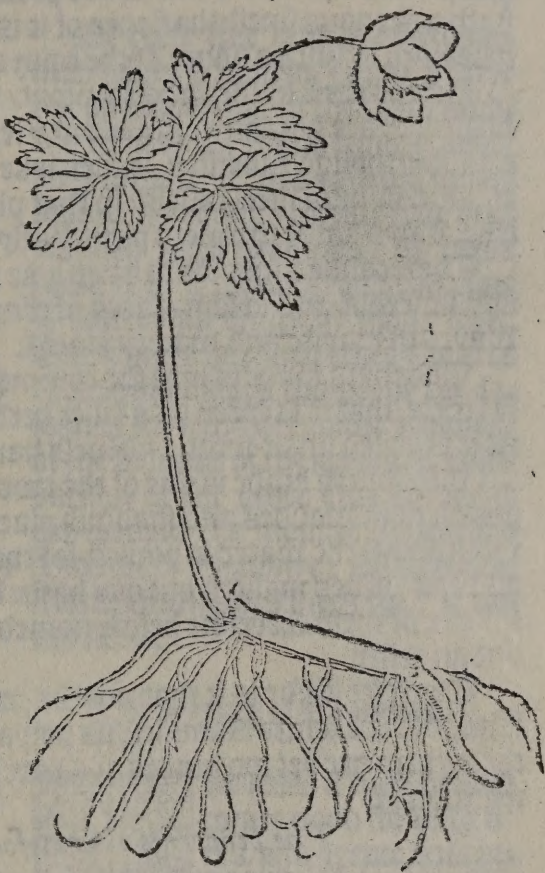


Ranunculus sativus.



Ranunculum quartum.





Ranunculum septimum.



Ranunculus is
called in Gre-
ke Barbauiou
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Crowfoot or
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ces a gollade/
is named in

Dutch hanenfus. There are many kin-
des of crowfootes / but they haue all
one streynight / that is byting and very
blystring: one of them hath leaues lyke
vnto Coriander / but broder / something
whitish and fat / a yelow floure / and
sometyme purple / a stalke not thicke / but
of a cubite heygth / a litle route / whyte /
whyche hath litle thinges / lyke smale
thredes / cominge out after the maner
of hellebor / or nese worre / it groweth
besyde ryuers: there is also another
kynde / whych is more hory / and with
a longer stalk / whych hath many cuttin-
ges / or iaggings in the leaues / & it
groweth much in Sardinia / & it is very
sharpe /

Of Crowfoot kinden or gollande.

Manye/and they call it also wilde persely. The thyrd kind is herpe litle/and hath a greuous smell: the floure of it is lyke vnto golde. The fourth kynd is lyke vnto it/with a floure of the color of milke.

Welyde these kindes of Crowfoot/ whiche Dioscorides hath here described: there are fyue other kindes at y least/ wherof the first kind hath round and somthynge indented leaues lyke vnto tunhoue/ with a roote verpe rounde/ hauing littel tassels/ in that place that is next to the ground lyke a leke. Thys kinde groweth plenteously in my orchard at Wylsenburg.

The seconde kinde hath leues lyke the head of a lance/ and it is called of some lanceola/ and in some places of England/ Spere wort/ it groweth alwayes in moyste and watery places.

The thyrd kinde is lyke the common soft in all payntes/ sauing that it is so sweete/ that it is eaten as a sallet herbe about Wenz in Germany/ where as it is called small wort/ and shees hanfuss.

The fourth kinde is one of the two with a white floure/ wherof the one groweth in woddes and shaddish places/ in April/ & the other kinde swimmeth aboue the water in poules/ for the most parte of Summer: for when as Dioscorides maketh but one kinde of Ranunculus with a white floure/ the one of them therefore before named/ must be none of his Ranunculus/ but an other.

The fyfte kinde is it that may be called for the great numbze of leaues y it hath/ in the floure Ranunculus polyanthos/ and I do not de ut/ but beside thys/ there are yet mo kindes of Crowfoote/ then Dioscorides hath made mention of.

The propertye of Crowfoot out of Dioscorides.



The leaues and tender yong stalkes/ if they be layd vnto any place/ do make blisters and a scabby crust with payne: it taketh awaye enough scabby nayles/ and the scabbes them selues/ it putteth awaye also printes of woundes/ & litle markes like prickes/ also if they be layd to/ within a litle whyle they take awaye hanging wartes/ and suche as haue the forme of pylswynes/ and they take also awaye the head/ it is good to washe the mouldues of ones heles/ with the broth of it. The drye powder of the root in ones nose/ prouoketh nesling/ & if it be layd to ones toth/ it will ease the payne/ but it will breake the toth.

Of the bushe called Rhamnus.



Rhamnus is a bushe that groweth about hedges/ & hath twigges that grow right vp/ and sharpe prickes/ as the hawthorn hath/ it hath litle leaues/ and somthinge long/ and somthinge fat and soft/ there is an other kinde that is whyter/ and the thyrd kinde hath black leaues/ and a broder/ with a certayn light rednes/ and roddees of fyue cubites high more full of prickes/ but the prickes are weaker and not so styffe/ but the fruit is brode/ whyte/ thin/ and as it were litle vellekes made to holde seede in/ lyke vnto a whyle.

Of these



Of these thre kindes of Rhamnus/when I was in Italy/ I sawe but one kind/that is the thyrd kind/ which hath the round leaues/ wher as I sawe it/ it was called Chyistes thorne/ as though Chyiste had bene crowned with rhamnus/ I neuer sawe it in Englande/and therefore I knowe no Englishe name for it. But it maye be called ether Chyistes thorne/or buklers thorne/of the fashion of the fruyt or rounde rammes/ of the brydnes of the leaues in comparison of the other two kindes/it groweth in the mounte Appennine a litle from Bononye: Matthiolus setteth two kindes furth that I neuer sawe.

The vertues of Rhamnus.



The leues if they be laid to/are good for wild fires/and greate hote inflammationes/ som holde that the bowes of it set at mennes doores / or windowes/ do dwyne awaye sorcery/ and inchantementes/that wyches and sorcerers do vse agaynst men.

Of the bushe called Sumach out of Dioscorides.



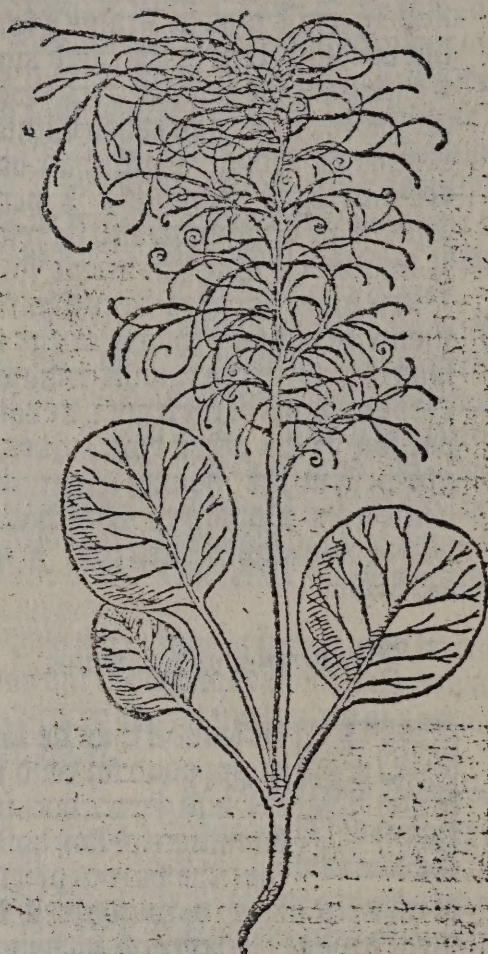
This is called of the Arabians and apothecaries Summach/it may be called in English also. The Summach which is used for a sauce vnto meates/which som call rede: is the fruyte of the lether Summach/ whiche hath the name of lether/ because men vse it to thicke lether therewith: it is a litle tre growinge in rockes of two cubites hygh / wherein are long leues/ somthinge redish/ indented round about lyke a saw/ the fruite is lyke vnto small clusters of grapes/ of the bignes of a turpentine and a litle broder.

Out of Galen.

Summach is a busshye shrub/and doth binde together and dyleth/for the lether dyers / or tannars vse this same bushe to dye and to binde together

Of Sumach.

Rhus.



together: the phisiciones be chefully
the berryes thereof / and the iuyce
whiche is of a berpe tarte taste and
bindinge with all / it is dye in the
thyrd degre / and cold in the second.

Thys Sumach that Dioscori
des and Galen maketh mention of
groweth in no place of England / or
Germanye that euer I sawe / but I
haue sene it in Italy / a litle fro Bo
nonye in the mounte Appennine / it
may be called in English Sumach /
as the Appotecaries and Arabi
nes do.

The vertues of Sumach.

The leaues haue a bindinge
poure / and serue for y same
purpose that Acaia seruerth
for. The broth of them maketh ones
hewe black / and they are good to be
poured in / or to be sitten ouer / or to
be dronken for the bloody fire / they
ar good to be poured into the eares
that haue water runninge oute of

them / if they be layed to with vinegre or honye / they stape and holde in
aguayles / and deadly burning sores / called gāgrenes / but the iuyce or broth
of the withered leaues sodden in water / untill they come to the thicknes of
honye / they serue for the same purpose that Licium doeth: the fruyte can do
all the same thinges / and is fit in sauces for meat / for them that haue the co
mon fire or bloody fire / it defendeth from inflammation or burning / if it be
layed to with water / brused places / and the bittermost pates are / whych pa
red of / and bleto places also. It scoureth away the roughnes of the tounge /
minged with hony / it stapeth also the whyte floures / and healeth the em
coddes / or flowing of the blood of the fundament / layed to with the cole of
an oke tre / beaten into pouder: but the broth of this is sodden and congeled
together / and after a maner doeth better the same thinges / then the fyrste
doth. It bringeth also furth a gum whiche is good to be put in a hollowe
soth / to stanche the ake thereof.

Ricinus

Of the herbe called in Englishe palma Christi.

Ricinus.



Ricinus is called i Greke Cici / or Croton / in Englishe palma Christi / or ticke sede because it is like a tycke /

it is called in Dutch wonder baum / kreutz baume / and zekke kornet / in French Palma Christi. It groweth oneiue in gardines / so far as euer I coulde se.

Palma Christi whiche hath the name of a mannes hande / with the fingers stretched out / when it is grown by: it is lyke vnto a yonge figge tre / & hath leanes lyke vnto a playne tre and hollow / steeles lyke a riede / the sede groweth in clustars whyche are roughe and sharpe without: but when the huske is of then it looketh very lyke a dogge loue / which is called a tycke: it groweth often tymes so hygh / as though it were a tre / but as soune as the froste cometh / it perissheth sodenly. Som call this herbal

so, Cataputiam maiorem and som call it Karuam. *Font Regime gram*

vide fit. olen. da. herba.

The vertues of palma Christi.



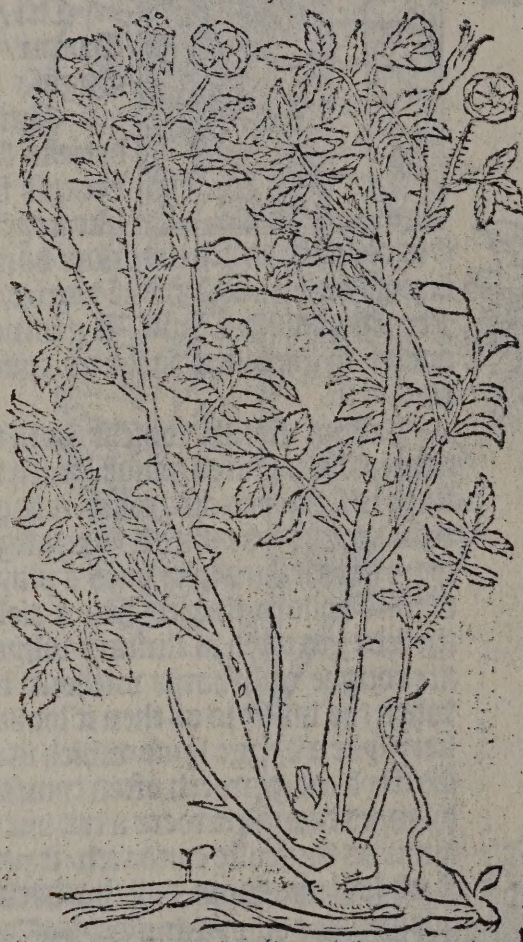
En hse to presse out of the sede of Palma Christi an oyle / called in Latin olum cicinum and ricinum / which is nothing mete for meat / but for lampes and emplasters / etc. cornes pilled / broken and dronken / drine thorough by the belly / leme coler and water / they prouoke also a man to vomit / but this purginge is very vnpleasant and paynfull and ouerthroweth the stomacke / the same kirmelles brused and layed to / scoure a waye freckelles and litle harde swellinges / and suche spottes as come by the heat of the same: but the leaues broken and brused / and layed to with the mele of perched barley / swage the swellinges and inflammationes of the eyes / the same layed to ether by them selues / or wyth vinegre / swage the belkes or pappes swellinge / wyth to muche plenty of milke / and the greuous inflammation / called saint Antonies tye.

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Of the rose.

Of the Rose.

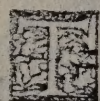
Rosa.



Rosa is named in Greke Rodon/ in English a rose / in Ducheyn rosen / in French bn rose. The rose is so well known

that it needeth no description/ Dioscorides maketh mention but of one kinde of roses / but Gesue maketh two kindes / that is of the whyte and rede : but since Gesues tyme / there are found diuers other kindes as Damaske rosens / incarnation roses / muske roses / with certayn other kindes / whereof is no mention in any olde writer.

The propertye of the rose out of Dioscorides.



The rose cooleth and bindeth. But the dyed roses do binde more / the iuyce oughte to be pressed out of the tender roses / after that whiche is named the nayle / be

cut awoye : for that parte is it whiche is whyte in the leafe / the reste of it should be pressed and brused in a morter in the shaddow vnto it be growen together / and so should it be layd by for eye medicines / so are the leaues also dyed in the shaddow / so that they be oft turned / that they moule not / it is pressed out of the dyed roses sodden in wine. It is good for head ache / the ache of the eyes / of the eares / of the gummes / of the fundament / of the right gutte / and of the mother / if it be layed to with a lether / or poured on. But if they be layed to after that they are brused without any pressing / they are good for the outrageous heat of the midryf / and against the lousenes of the stomack that cometh of moysture / and agaynst saint Antonies fyre / when as they are dyed & broken / they are sprenched amongst the thyghes or shaves / they are mingled with medicines called anthera / and preseruatric medicines for woundes. But the floure that is founde in the middes of the rose / is good agaynst the reume or flowing of the gummes / if it be layed on dyed. But the heades drunken / stop the belly / and casting out of blood.

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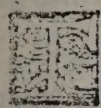
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Rubia groweth in Germany & also
England & the most that ever I saw in
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Out of Galene.



The rose is of a waterish hote substance/joynd with two other qualities/that is to wete binding and bitter/the floure is more binding then the roses selues be:and therefore it dyeth more.

Out of Mesue.



The rose is colde in the fyrste degre/and dye in the secounde/and is compounded/and made of two diuers/and separable substances of a watery/whiche is measurable/and of an earthy bynding/geuing vnto it much matter/but of an aerish sweete and fyne/and fyne and fyne/of whych commeth the bitterness/the leaues the perfection and the form or beautye. But

the more of the fyre substance whych hath driuen in the beautye the rednes/ is stronger then it that brought in the bitterness/and for this cause with only dryinge: this propriete is losse/whiche the other abyde still/whych if they perishe/it shall be no more a rose/then a dede man/is a man / yet the grene roses are more bitter then binding/and by the reason of this bitterness/grene or moyste roses purge/and that the fyre with theyr iuice/but when they are dried/the heat beyng resolued / whiche maketh the bitterness/they shewe a substance binding or drawing together. The iuice of rosens is hote almost in the fyrste degre/because it is sycted and sondred from the earthy and colde substance/it purgeth and resolueh/openeth/and scoureth/but the dye rose is colder and more binding/and that yet more whiche was not yet fullye growen:and the whyte more/then the rede: the rose also resolueh and quencheth out hote distemperatures/and strengtheneth and bindinge together the partes/and doth it most with the lide and litle heyres that are founde in the middes of the lide beilles: when as there are rede roses and whyte/and of both the kindes/som haue manye leaues/and som fewe/and som haue playne leaues/and som haue surbed/in both the kindes/that is better whose natural color is perfitter/and hath fewer leaues and playner. The whyte roses purge nothyng at all/or ellis verye litle/but they binde and strenghten more then the rede do. The iuice of them that are full rype/are better/and so is the water better wherein the rype roses are steeped in. It scoureth the blood of the beynes and arteries/from yelow choler of galle/it is good for the iauides/for it openeth and scoureth awaye the stoppings of the stomach and lyuer/it strenghteneth the hart and stomach/and healeth the trimming of the hart:the cause beyng emptied out before. It is good for cholerick agewes:Rose oyle conforteth the same partes/that the filled water of roses doth/they strenghten the louse substance in drawing them together/and fortifye the holding poure/they put out all hote burninge/and staunche the ache that commeth thereof/they make a man slepe/but they prouoke a man to nefe/and fere a man to the poise/and they are euell for rheumatike persons/they fasten the bunla and the thoppel or throte/and strenghten the/and take dronkenness away. The rose seying that it is a gentle medicine/ but wayke in purging/it hath nede of helper as whay/hony: for an vnce of the iuice of roses/with two or thre vnces of whay/with a litle spicknarde doth

Of Madder.

purge well the leaues of roses infused in whay and pressed out with honye
purge also without any grese.

The syrop of the iuyce of roses/and of roses themselves both purge also
gently: Roses condited in honye/scour/purge and strengthen: but condited
with sugar/they scoure lesse/but they strengthen more. The water wherein
roses haue ben infused/cleareth/scoureth and purgeth. And distilled water
strengtheneth/but it purgeth not/for the purging and scouringe vertue/be-
cause the subtil heat of it/is dissolved awaye with the fyre. Vinegre of roses
staunche all kindes of inflammaciones and hote burninges/it cutteth in
sonder/and scoureth and conforteth or strengtheneth. The roses speciall ye
beyng fresh/can abyde no lethying: for they purging and scouringe vertue
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iuyce of roses is gyven from an vnce unto ij: the syrop wyth the iuyce of
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Of Madder.

Rubia sativa.

Rubia sylvestris.



Rubia

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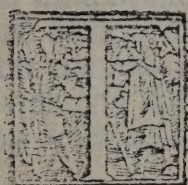
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Rubia is named in Greke *Erithodanon* / in Englishe madder / in Duche rote aut / farber rote / in frenche garance.

Rubia is a rede dying rout / whereof one kinde is wild / and an other kind is set and trimmed: the stalkes of madder are foure squared / longe / rough / lyke vnto the stalkes of gooshereth / but in all pointes greater and stronger / hauing leaues by certayne spaces / goyng betwene one order of leaues / and an other in euery ioynte or kine lyke vnto sterres goyng roundabout. The fede is rounde / fyrst grene / and after rede / and last when it is ripe / black. The route is small / long / rede / and prouoketh a man to make water. The greater kinde of the madder whych beth to be set / and planted / groweth berpe plenteously in many places of Germany / but in greatest plerty that I know about Syppre. The wilde kinde groweth plenteously both in Germany in wooddes / and also in Englande / and in the most that euer I sawe / is in the yle of wyght. But the fairest and greatest that euer I sawe / groweth in the lane of besyde Wyndchester / in the way to South hampton.

The vertue of Madder.



The rote causeth a man to make water: wherefore if it be dronken wyth mede / it healeth the quellsought or jaundes. It healed also the sciatica and the palsy. It dryueth out muche and grosse vyne / and somtyme blood. But they that drinke it dayly / ought to be washed in a bath / and to se the difference of those thynges that are emptied furth / the iuyce dronken wth the leaues / is good for them that are bitten of venemous beastes. The fede dronken with honied vinegre / called grimell / melteth awaye the milt. The roote layed to / dryueth furth both the vyth and the floures / and also the secondes / if it be layed to wyth vinegre / it healeth whyte freckelles.

Of the Bramble bushe or blaak berrye bushe.



Rubus is also called in Latin *Sentis* / in Greke *Batos* / in English a bramble bushe / or a black berrye bushe / in Duche ein Bomber / in french Rouce.

There are two kindes of this bramble / one that groweth commonlye in hedges and with other busshes / and an other kinde that groweth in small ylandes of freshe waters / and about riuers sydes / and also in come felde. This is called of som *Chame-batos*. As the great kinde hath alwayes black berries when they are ripe / and full of sedes: so the lesser kinde hath somtyme rede berries / whē as they are ripe and but a few sedes. But that they are much pleasanter to eat then the greater berries be.

Of the Bramble bushe.

The vertues of the bramble bushe and berries.

Rubus.



THE bramble bindeth/ drieth and dieth heere. The broth of the brambles if it be dronken/ it stoppeth the belly/ and stayeth the illhe to that weome haue/ and it is good for the biting of y serpent called yester: they strengthen the gournes: and the leues chewed/ heale the diseases of the mouth. They staye rinninge sores/ they heale rinning sores in the head/ they are also a remedy for the eyes that fall doune/ the leaues are good to be layd vpon hard swellinges of the fundament/ & to the entrodes/ the leaues are also good to be bled agaynst the ache of the stomack/ and for the diseases called Cardiacca passio. The stalkes or braunches vse to be bruised with the leaues/ and y iuyce to be pressed out/ and to be dyed by in the sonne into an hard lumpe/ which is singularly good agaynst the diseases before named.

The iuyce of the berry of a bramble bushe/ if it be full ripe/ is fit for y medicines of the mouth. The bellye maye be stopped by eating of the berry halfe ripe/ and also with the soure dronken in wine. Galene besyde all these properties that he confelleth/ that the bramble hath/ writeth also that the barke of the route of the bramble/ breaketh also the stone.

Of the Brere bushe or Hephre or Breretre.



Rubus canis or cantribus/ is named in Greke kynobatos/ in English a Brere bushe/ or of other sort an help tre/ in Duché wilde rosen/ or heck rosen.

The description of the Hephre.

THE Heph tre is a bushe lyke a tre/ much greater then a black berry/ or bramble bush/ it hath leaues muche broder then the myrtell hath/ with strong prickles about the bowes/ it hath a whyte floure/ & a long fruyte/ lyke vnto the

Of the Brere bushe or Hep tre.

Rubus canis.

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Rosa canina



the kynell of an oliue / whiche when as it is ripe / is fayre rede / and within it hath doune lyke flackes.

By thys description of Dioscorides maye diuerse errores be confuted / fyrst theys that take rubum canis / for the brymble and theres also y holde that holde styffe / that rubus canis is our hawthorn / for nether the fruyt of the black berry bushe is long / nether hath any doune in it / nether hath the fruyt of the hawthorn any doune or flockes with in it / wherfore seying that the fruyt of rubi canini hath doune in it / and nether the fruyte of the black berry tre / nether of the hawe tre hath any in it / nether of these can be rubus canis.

As touchynge the Egline I take it to be a seuerall kinde from the brere / and reken it to be the bushe that is called of good wyrters kynoprodon / or rosa canina.

The vertues of the Brere tre, or Hep tre.

The fruite of the byere called an Hep / if it be dyed / and the doune that is within taken out / stoppeth the belly / wherby a mā may gather that it bin

Of the bushe called Raspis.

it bindeth strongly. But the leaues binde weykhely. He must beware that
ye eat none of the downe that is within. For it is very perilous for y^e throate
and winde pype. Let them therefore take hede that make tartes of Heggies/
that they purge them well from the down. The tartes made onely of Heggies
serue well to be eaten of thē that vomit to much/or haue any fire/wher
ther it be the bloody fire or the common fire.

Of the bushe called raspis or hindberry.

Rubus.



Rubus ideus is named in Greke Batos idea/ in Englishe Ras-
pis or Raspices / and in the North countre Hyndeberries/ in
Duche Hyndbere/ in frenche Frambois.

Rubus ideus as Dioscorides writeth/ hath that name be-
cause it groweth very plenteously in the hyll Ida. This bushe
is muche tenderer/ then the comon bramble bushe/ and is roughe or sharpe/
with fewer prickes: howbeit/ it may be found in som places withoute anye
prickes at all.

The bushe that I take for the ryght Rubo ideo/ groweth in the greate
hygh hilles a littel aboue Bone/ and in East Fressland in a wod besyde An-
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rik/and in many gardines of England. It hath much smother stalkes then the bramble/and no great howky prickes at all/the berries are rede.

Matthiolus writeth that there is in the mountaynes of Trent / a kinde that hath rede berries and very pleasant/and without kirkelles/which som of the later writers haue iudged to be rubum ideum. But he sayeth he can not se how/that it can be proued to be so. For when as Dioscorides sayeth/that rubus ideus hath the name of idea/he suppoeth that ther vpon it may be well gathered/perchance not vnaduisedly that rubus ideus groweth no where ellis/ but in Ida/as radix idea doth/ and as dittani/ the righte groweth only in Candy/except a man take this word idam/for growing vpon the mountayn. Because this kinde of argument is oft vsed of Matthiolus/ I thinke nowe that is mete/because the place requireth to cōfute this kind of argumente/ because he vseth it in confuting the truth/whiche other men found that he could vnderstande and consent vnto. If this be a good argument/rubus ideus groweth in plēty in Ida/therefore it groweth no where ellis:then this is also a good argument/ Stechas groweth only in the plandes of frenche agaynst Massilia/which are called Stechades/ wher vpon it hath the name/therfore there is no Stachas/ but it that groweth in those plandes. Therefore it that groweth in Arabia/and it that groweth in Spayne and Italy/is no Stechas. This must also be a good argument. Dioscorides sayeth that Aconitum lycoctonon groweth plenteously in Italy in the Iustine mountaynes:ergo/wherebeuer any herbe hauing the forme and properties of Aconiti lycoctoni/be founde if it grow not in Italy/ it is not Aconitum lycoctonum. But seying that these be noughty argumētes so is it that Pliny and Matthiolus make/also noughty. Rubus ideus hath y name/because it groweth very plēteously in the hill Ida: ergo it groweth only in Ida. For Dioscorides sayeth not/that rubus ideus groweth only in Ida:but that it groweth there in plētye/ and therefore denieth not/ but y it may grow also in other places as well as there.

Conradus Gesnerus writing of suche herbes as are in mounte fracto/ sheweth a bushe to grow there/which he calleth Rubum ideum/ and he describeth it thus.Rubus ideus is there almost with a fruyt of a black berrie without any prickes/low with a woddish or hard roote/ with leaues like y brable/or strawberry/w litle kirkelles two together or thre together/ or one alone in one berrie.The tast of it is soure/it groweth vpon a rock.

The vertues of Raspis.



The Raspis hath the same vertues that the common bramble hath/and besydes also the floure of it brused with honye/and layed to/is good for the inflammationes and hote humores gathered together to the eyes/and it quencheth the hote burninges/called erisypelata:it is good to be geuen with water vnto them that haue weyk stomackes. It were good to kepe some of the iuyce of the berries/and to put it into som pretty wodden vessel/ and to make of it as it were raspis wine/which doubtlesse should be good for many purposes/both for a weyke stomack/and also for the fire/and diuers diseases of the goumes/teth vuula tong/and pallat and other places thereabout.

Rumicis primum genus.



Rumicis secundum genus.



Rumicis tertium genus.



Rumicis quartum genus.



Of the kindes of Dockes.



Rumex is called in Greke Lapathon/ in Englishe a Dock/ in Duche Mentwelwortz/ in frenche de la parelle. Of the kindes of Dockes/ they call one Orilapathon/ and in the vppermoste parties/ it is harde and something sharp/ and it groweth in pooles and diches: the seconde is it of the garding/ not lyke vnto thys. The thyrde is a wilde kinde / and it is small / and lyke vnto plantayne softe and lowe. There is also the fourth kinde / whiche is called of

som Oralis or Anararis/ or Lapathum agreste/ whose leaues are lyke vnto the leaues of the littel wild dock/ the stalke is not great/ yf sede is somethinge sharpe/ round rede/ and byting/ and it is found in yf stalke and outgrowing twigges: hetherto hath Dioscorides wrytten. To whose wryting som of the later Grecianes do not fully consent / and namelye in the descriptiones of Orilapathi and Oralidos/ for som of the later Grecianes seme to take Orilapathum/ as though it had the name of the sour and sharp taste/ and not of the sharpnes of the ouermoste part of the top of the leafe. Aetius in the healing of the falling sicknes/ wryteth these wordes after the translation of Cornarius of Oralis: Orallidem siue rumicem acutum/ viridem presertim quotidie dato a primo luna usque ad trigessimam / in whiche wordes he semeth to confound and make all one of Orilapathum and Oralis. The same Aetius wryteth thus of Oralis in the healing of the iauundes. Oralis est rumex acris sapore/ folijs ranulis et folijs caude quadrangulari. &c. He may se that Aetius geueth here vnto the tast of Oralis sharpnes/ wyth bytinge as this worde Acris doth signifie/ & a four cornered stalke/ whereof nether of both Dioscorides geueth vnto his Oralis/ nether to his Orilapatho. As for my parte I do not remember that euer I sawe anye such sozel as Aetius describeth. Nowe as concerning the kindes of Dockes whereof Dioscorides wryteth/ I am sure/ we haue the same/ and also more then he made mention of/ we haue the great kinde of Dock/ which the vblearned toke for Rebarbe/ & is called of som Rubarbarum monachorum / and this do the common herbaries of this tyme take for the garding Dock of Dioscorides / we haue a kinde of Dockes that groweth in shallow diches and watery places/ wyth a very sharp leafe/ wyth a taste lyke vnto other Dockes/ and thys do I take to be Orilapathum in Dioscorides. There is an other kind of Dockes that groweth in moyste and watery groundes/ with a leafe muche rounder then it that I spake last of/ it hath a very soure taste lyke sozel/ and this do I take for Orilapatho of Aetij and other of hys tyme.

We haue two kindes of wild Dockes/ the one with the form and lyknes of plantayn/ whych groweth in middowes and in bare grenes/ and an other kind with a leafe not much vnylike the leafe of Aran: and so many kindes haue we also of Oralis or Sozell/ for the one hath a rounder leafe/ and yf other sharper/ wth sharpe thinges resembling abroad arrow head. We haue also an other kind of dock growing in orchards & gardines/ & about townes & suche places as hys & oxen/ & other beastes vse comonly to haunt & stād in.

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Of the kindes of Dockes.

Thys kinde for the foyn that it hath with the garding dock / maye seme to be a kinde of it. But by it that groweth without settinge / or sowynge / it maye seme to be a kinde of wilde docke. But it maketh no great matter of what kinde it be of / seynge it is knowen by experience to haue the vertue that other dockes haue.

The vertues of the Dockes.



He leaues of all the kindes of dockes / when they are sodde soften the belly. The leafe layd to raw with rose oyl or saffron / driueth awaye melicirides / which are apostemes / which haue an oylissh thyng within them lyke vnto honye. The sede of y wilde dockes / and of the dicke dock with the sharpe leafe / and of the sorrel / is good to be dronken in water or wine agaynste the bloodye fire or other fires / and agaynst the lothsumnes of the stomack / and agaynst the biting of a scorpion. If any man drinke any of these sedes / and after chaunce to be bitten / he shall haue no hurt of it. But the routes of them / sodden wryth vinegre / and also though they be raw / if they be layd to / heale leproes / y foule scuruy euell / and rough scabby nayles. But the place must be rubbed before in the sonne with nitre and vinegre. The broth also if the itching places be bathed therewith / driueth awaye the itche. They swage also the payn of the teth / if they be sodden in wyne / and y teth be washed therewith / they swage also the payn of the eares / they dryue also away harde lumpes and wenues if they be sodden in wine and layd therto. The same layd to stop the isshewe of woemen / if they be sodden in wyne and dronken / they heale the iaundes / and breake stones in the bladder / and prouoke doune floures / and they are good for them that are bitten of a scorpion. The great dock called in Greke Hippolampathon / which groweth in meres and great pooles / hath the same nature that other haue. The old wryters appoynt no certayn degre vnto the kindes of dockes / but Aetius writeth that the dock is partaker of heat / naminge no certayn kinde. But Rasis vnder the name of Acetisa / whyche worde the Arabians interpretes without all discretion vse for al kindes of dockes / sayeth that acetosa is cold and drye / but he telleth not in what degre / but I suppose that Rasis writeth of sorrell rather then of any other kind. But my iudgement is that sorrell is colde at the least in the first degre / and that the other kindes are not manifestly hote / but rather bowynge to coldnes / then to any notable heat.

Of the bushe or shrub, called Kneholme, or Buchers broume.



Ruscus is named in Greke myrsine agria / that is myrtus syluestris / in Barbarus latin bruscus / in English Kneholme / or Knehull / and of other Bucher broume / and of som Petigre / I neuer sawe it in Germany / therfore I know not the Dutch name of it.

Ruscus

Sabina.



Ruscus called of Dioscorides *Myrtus sylvestris* / hath a leafe
lyke vnto a myrtell tre / but broder / lyke in fashon vnto a lance /
sharp in the top. It hath a rounde fruyte in the middes of the
lese rede / when it is ripe with a harde kirkel within. The twig
ges are bowing lyke binde braunches / which come out of the
route / they are tough a cubit high / full of leaues / the routes are lyke vnto
grasse binding / tarte in taste / and somthing bitter. This bushe groweth be-
rye plenteously in Essex and in Kent / and in Barke shyre / but I could neuer
se it in Germany.

The vertues of kneholme.



Uhe leaues and the berries dronken in wine / do moue a man to
make water / and bring weomen theyr floures / and breake the
stone of the bladder / they heale also the iaundes / the Strangu-
ria / & y head ache / the broth wherin y routes are sodden / can do
the same. The yong stalkes vse to be eaten for sperage / after y
maner of a wogete or eatable herbe / but they are bitter and prouoke byme.

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Ruta.



Ruta is named in Greke Pyganon/in Englishe Rue or herbe grace/ in french rue de gardin/in Duch Weiraut. Ther are two kindes of Rue/the gardin Rue is so well known in all countrees/that it needeth no description. But the wilde Rue is so gessen and skant/that I could neuer find it in all my life time/nether in Germany nor in England/sauing one tyme in Weissenburg/and the seide of that/was sent me from Zurich by doctor Gesner/it hath much smaller and longer leaues/then the common Rue hath/or ellis much lyke in other poyntes vnto it.

The vertues of Rue out of Dioscorides.



The wilde Rue that groweth in woddes and mountaynes/is more sharp or biting/then the gardin or sowen or set Rue / & it is not fit to be eaten. Amongest the kindes of gardin Rue/ is mooste fit to be eaten that groweth besyde a figge tre: they haue both a burning propertie:they heat & bring of the skin/ prouoke water/ & driue floures. And both they/ whether they be ta-

be taken in meat/or drinke:they stop the belly/it is a soferayne medicine or preseruatiue agaynst the poyson/if an acetable of the sede of it be taken with wine:yea the leaues taken aforehand by themselves/and with nuttes / and with dried figges/make poysoned medicines to wante theyr streingth. If they be taken after the same maner/they are good agaynst serpentis. Rue both in meat/and in drinke/destroeyeth the naturall sede. If it be sodde with dyed dyll/and dronken/ it stancheth the gnawinge in the bellye. If it be dronken as is sayed before:it is good for the ache of the sydes and of y^e brest/ agaynst purlines & shorynes of breath/agaynst coughes/agaynst the inflammation of the lunges/agaynst the sciatica and the ache of the ioyntes/ and agaynst the colde that commeth agayn by certayn fittes or courses. If it be poured in with oyle/it is good for the windines of the great gut/ and of the mother/and of the streyght gut.The same broken with honye/and put into the secret place a good waye by/deliuereth woemen of the stranglinge of y^e mother.If it be heated with oyle and dronken/it killeth wormes.Som vse to laye it to with honye for the ache of the ioyntes/and som vse to laye it to with fyggees agaynst the dropsey:yea if it be drōken/it is good for the same. Also if it be sodden in wine to the consumption of the halfe/and rubbed on/ it will do thesame.It quickeneth the syght both raw/and condited / if it be receyued in meat: it swageth the ache of the eyes/if it be layed to with the floure of parched barleye. With rose oyle and vinegre/it helpeth them y^e haue the head ach:if it be brused and put into the nose thrylles/it stoppeth the bursting out of blood out of the nose:if it be layed to with bay leues/ it swageth the inflammation and swellinges of the stones/and it healeth wheales with myrt/and a treat made of ware:if ye rub the place with wine/ peper and nitre/it healeth the whyte morpew. But if it be layd to emplaster wise/ with the same/it taketh awaye litle rede lumpes like knoppes of tyme/and wartes also lyke ppylneres:if it be layed to with hony and allome/ it healeth the foule scoruy euell.The iuyce of Rue made hote in the pyll of a pomgranat/ & poured in/ is good for the ake of the eares.The same healeth dull eares/layd to with the iuyce of fennel and hony: if it be layed to with vinegre / whyte lead and rose oyle/it healeth hote and cholerick inflammationes and runninge sores/and tetters/and the runninge sores of the head.

If rue be eaten after ward/it dilayeth and stancheth the biting or sharpnes that commeth of the eating of garlyk and onyones.

The Rue of the mountaynes if it be eaten/it kylleth a man. But the sede of the wilde Rue drōkē/is good for inwarde diseases/ and is fit to be menaged with preseruatiues and triacles.

The sede also of Rue perched/if it be geuen seuen dayes to drinke to him that pissed his bed/he shall do no more so.

The root of thys is called moly of the mountaynes.

The wilde rue is lyke vnto it of the gardin/ and it is good in drinke for the falling siknes/and for the sciatica/it driueth doune floures/ but it killeth the byrth/for it is sharper then it of the gardin/yet it may not be eaten / because it is hurtfull in meat.

Of Rue.

Out of Galene.



The rue is hote in the fourth degre/ & the gardin rue is hote in the thyrde: it hath not only a biting taste/ but also a bitter. wherby it may make rype and cut insonder grosse and tough humores/ and for that proprietye it may drie vyne/ it is good for windines/ and therfore restreyneth and bydleth the appetite and desyre of the pleasure of the body/ it maketh ripe and dryeth myghtely.

Out of Simeon Sethi.



It is good for the windye and waterye dropsey: it is good for them that haue dronken the iuyce of poppye called opium/ or the popson of Aconitum or Liberdys baye/ if it be dronken/ it is good for y colick/ and so is it good also in a clister/ mē holde that it quickeneth the eyesyght/ and therefore paynters vse it muche: if ye seth it with oyle and bath the bladder therewith/ it is a remedye agaynst the stopping of water. Both takē in aboue in drinke and beneth in a clister. It is good for the lithargie or forgetfull diseale: it is also good for them that haue the goute or payne in the knees of waterishe humores: it strenghteneth the guttes not by the heat alone/ but of a natural proprietye. But they that are cholerick of nature/ and are syck of cholerick diseases/ ought to absteyne from rue/ for it heateth them to much/ and melteth away the fyne blood/ and leaneth the grosse/ and maketh it melancolick: the iuyce of this herbe is euell for weomen with chylde/ he that eateth rue in y moorning shall be fre all the day after from venem and popson.

Of Saum.



Albina is named in Greke Brathys/ in Duché Saunenbaume/ in frenche Sauinera or Sauiner. There are two kindes of Sauine as Dioscorides writeth: the one hath leaues lyke a Cypres tre/ but more pricky with a greuous smell/ byting and burning: for it is a short tre spreding it selfe more out in breath: and som vse the leaues for perfumes: y other hath leaues lyke Tamarisk. I haue sene both these kindes in Germany/ and the one plenteously in Englande/ that is the lesse/ and the greater I saw in wormes in Germany in a preachers gardin.

The vertues of Sauin.

The leaues of both the Sauines stave and stop woundes that sprede for a brode and consume fleshe as they go/ and if they be layed to/ they swage inflammationes. Also if they be layed to with honye/ they scour away blacknes and filthines/ and they burstle carbuncles. But if they be dronken with wyne/ they dryue blood by the vyne/ and dryue furth also the byrth: the same thyng will they do if they be layed to/ or ministred in a perfume/ they vse to be menged with heating oyntmentes/ and namely wyth the oyntment called vnguentum gleucinum.

Out

Sabina.



Out of Galene.

Sabin is of the nombre of them that dye myghtely/ and that accordinge vnto thre qualites/ whiche it sheweth in taste lyke vnto the Cypres tre/ but that it is more bitinge/ and as a man woulde saye more spicye or better smelling: therfore it hath the qualite that I spake of/ that is a byring sharpnes/ standing in an hote complexion and bitternes/ and a darcker or more vnfelable binding/ then the cypresse tre hath: for in asmuche as it exceedeth in that/ so more myghtely doth it make rype/ and therefore it can not glew together woundes/ for the strenght of the dynes/ and the heate/ that it hath/ for it hath so much of both the qualites/ that it doth stretche out and bringe inflammation or burning: it may as well be occupped aboute rottenes as the Cypres maye/ speciallve when they are stronger and longer/ for these without anye auoyance can abyde the strenght of medicines: it louseth or dissolueth carbuncles.

This is a medicine that is hote in the thyrde degre/ and dye in the same/ and hath verve subtil partes/ and for that cause it is put in to oyntementes. Some vse to put twyse as muche of it in the stede of one parte of Cinnamuni: for if it be dronken/ rypeth and maketh syne and subtil.

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Of the

Of the elder tre, and of the bushe called Vualworte or Daynwurt.

Sambucus.



Ambucus is called in Grek Akti/ in English Elder or Bourtrees/ in Duche Holder/ or Hollēder/ in frēch Sus or Suin. Ther ar two kindes of Acte/ sayeth Dioscorides/ the one is called Acke/ and it riseth vp into the fashion of a tre/ and thys is named in English Elder/ and it stretched out twiggges like redes rounde/ som thing hollow/ something whytish & lōg/ there growe iij. or iiij. leues together by certayn spaces goyng betwene/ lyke the Walnut tre leaues of stynkinge sauor/ and more indented: in the top of the stalkes or bowes are round shaddowe clusters/ hauing whyte floures/ a fruyt lyke the Turpentine tre/ something purple in black/ full of berries/ ful of iuyce/ and of wine.

The other kinde is called in Greke Chameacte/ and in Latin Ebulus/ & in English Wallworte or Daynworte/ and in Duche Attich. This is low & lesse/ and more like an herbe/ and it hath a foure squared stalke/ parted with many ioyntes/ the leaues grow with certayn spaces goyng betwene/ hanging about euery ioynte after the maner of fethers/ lyke vnto the leaues of an almonde tre/ indented roundabout/ but longer/ euell smelling/ with a shaddowy

shaddow clustered top lyke the other kind/and euen so a floure & a fruyt. It hath a long rout/of the bignes of a mannes finger:thus far Dioscorides.

Beside these two kindeS/I founde the third kind growinge in the alpes with rede berries/in other poyntes lyke vnto the former kind called Elder.

The vertues of Elder.

Both the kindeS haue one propertie/and serue for one purpose/ they drye and drye water/and are euell for the stomack/the leaues sodden and eaten as an eatable herbe/drye out choler/and thynne sleme/and the yong stalkes sodden in a pot do the same. The root sodden in wyne / and geuen in before meat/helpeth the dropsey:if it be dronken after the same maner / it is good for them that are bitten of the viper/the same sodden in water / if a woman sit ouer it/it softeneth the mother and openeth it / and it amendeth suche hurtes as are commonly about it:the fruyt dronken with wyne/doth the same:the same layd to/maketh the heyre black. The tendre and freshe leaues/swage inflammaciones layd to emplasterwise with perched barley/and they are good for burning and the bitinges of dogges:thesame glewe together hollowe sores that gape after the maner of a fistula:they are also good for them that haue the gout/ if they be layd to with bulles tallowe or gote buckes sweet.

Of the willow or Sallow tre.

Salicis primum genus.

Salicis alterum genus.



Of the willow or Sallow tre.

Salicis tertium genus.



Willow is named in Greke *Itia* / in English a willowe tre or a Sallow tre / & in þ Northren speache a Saugh tre / in Dutch / Ein weiden baum / in frenche vn Saulge. *Salix* as *Columella* writeth is deuided in to two principal kinds: the one is called *pericalis* / þ other is called *uiminalis*. *Pericalis Salix* is þ great willow tre / which hath long rodes growing on it. *Uiminalis* is an oylie tre / such as bying furth roddes / þ baskattes ar made of. *Uiminalis* is of diuers sortes. The first is called *Salix greca* / the second *gallica*: the thyrde *Sabina*. *Salix greca* which is yelow in color / groweth much in East fressland about a cytye called *Anrik*. *Salix gallica* which hath rede twigges / groweth in many places of Englande and Germany also. *Salix sabina* which is also called *amerina* / groweth onely in Italy and in East fressland / so far as I haue founde hetherto.

The vertues of the willow tre.



The seide / the leaues and the barke / and the iuyce of the willowe tre haue poure and vertue to binde together. The leaues broken and with a litle pepper dronken in wine / are good for the *Alia* passio / or the gnawing of the small goutes. The seide broken / is good for them that spitte blood / & the barke is good for

for same purpose: the same barke burned & knoddē to vinegre/ & layd to em-
plaster wise, taketh awaye harde lumpes/ & litle swellinges like nayle hedes.

The iuyce of the leaues and the barke/ made hote in the pill of a pomgra-
nat with rose oyle/ healeth the ake of the eares/ the broth of the same is good
to bathe goutye places/ and to be poured vpon the same: the same drieth a-
waye scurfe and scales: the tyme of taking of the iuyce of it is/ when that it
floureth by cutting of the barke: this hath poure to scoure awaye those thin-
ges/ which bringe darcknes vnto the apple of the eye.

Out of Galene.

A Man may well vse the leaues of the willow tre for to glew woundes
together/ the moste part of Physicionēs vse the floures of the willowe
tre most of all for the preparing of a drying emplaster/ for the poure therof is
to drye/ for besyde that it byteth not/ it hath also a certayn binding/ ther are
certayn also/ whiche presse out the iuyce of it/ & kepe it as a medicine with-
out all byting and drying by very profitable for many thinges/ for ye cā not
finde any thinge more profitable for many thinges the a medicine is/ which
drieth without byting/ & doth binde a litle/ but the barke hath y^e like poure/
with the floures and the leaues: but that it is of a dryer complexion as all
barkes be. Som men do burne the barke and vse the ashes of it/ for all thin-
ges that had nede of a mighty dryer.

Of Sage.

Salvia. Veronica foemina.

V. officinalis.

Salvia maior.



Of Sage.

Salvia minor.



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The common
Garden sage?
Gorse. Stas. ins?*



Aluia is called in Greke Elilisphacos / in English Sage or Sauig / in Duche Salben or Selue / in Frenche Saulge.

Sage is a long bushe full of botwes and braunches / hauing twigges four square / somthyng whytish / and leaues lyke the Quince tre / but longer / rougher / thicker / and priuely resembling hozenes of a worne cloth / whyte vnder / smellinge wondrously / but the smell is greuous / it hath sede lyke the

wilde horminum in the top of the stalke / it groweth in rough places / Hetherto Dioscorides.

Dioscorides maketh but one kinde of Sage / but Theophrast maketh two kindes of Sage / one wyth a rougher / and the other wyth a smoothe leaf / but now we are there founde moze kindes / the whyche though they differ one from an other muche in roughnes / and smoothesnes in greatnes and smallnes / and in diuersite of coloures / yet in my iudgement / they do agre al in one vertue and propertye / and although som be stronger then other som be.

The

The vertues of Sage.

The broth wherein þ leaues and branches are sodden/ dyue fourth water/ and bring furth floures/ and draweth furth the byrth/ and it healeth the pricking of the fishe/ called in Latin *pastinaca marina*/ whych is lyke vnto a flath/ with venemous pyckes about hye taylor: It maketh heyre black/ it is good for woundes/ it stoppeth the blood/ and scoureth wilde sores/ the broth of the leaues and the branches wyth wine stancheth the iche of the priuites/ if they be washed therewith.

Out of Galene.

Galene writeth that Sage is of an euident hote complexion / and something binding.

The vertues of Sage out of Aetius.

The heating poure of sage is euidently knowen/ but the binding vertue is but small/ but som wyte that if a perfume be made of sage ouer the coles/ that it will stop the excessiue flowing of womens floures: But Agrippa writeth that sage beyng a holy herbe / is eaten of lionesses beyng wyth yong / for it holdeth and stayeth the liuely byrth. Wherfor if a woman drinke a pounce of the iuyce of it wyth a litle salte/ at a certayne tyme/ whiche Physicioness can tell/ if she do lye wyth her husbnde/ vndoutingly she shall conceue. They saye when as the pestilence was in a place of Egypt/ called Coptos/ that they that remayned aloue after the pestilence/ compelled theyr wiues to drinke much of thys iuyce: and so they had in short tyme great increase of chyldren. Ophheus sayeth that two cyates of the iuyce of sage wyth one ounce of honye/ if it be geuen vnto a man wyth drinke fasting/ will stoppe the spitting of blood: but it is good agaynst the tylick and exulceration of þ lunges: If it be dressed thus/ take of spiknarde two drames of the seede of sage perched/ beaten/ and sifted xiiij. drames/ of pepper xij. drames/ meunge all these together in the iuyce of sage/ and make pilles thereof/ and geue a dram at a tyme/ in the morning to the patient fasting/ and so much agaynst night/ and drinke water after the pilles.

Of Sauerye.

Satureia or Cunila is called in Greke *Thymbra* / in English *sauerye*/ or *sauerayc*/ in Duche *saturey* / in Frenche *salette*: it is hote and drye in the thyrde degre / as the taste will teache you/ whensoeuer ye will trye it/ for it biteth the tong myghtely. Although diuerse and great learned men haue made one herbe of *Thymbra* and *satureya*/ yet it is playne by the autorite of *Columella* / and other olde writers/ that they are two seuerall herbes.

And because *Dioscorides* maketh two kindes of *thymbra*/ it is not vni-lyke/ but that the one is it that is called *thymbra*/ of the Grekes and som Latines/ and the other is it that is called of the Grecianes *thymbra*/ and of the Latines *satureia*.

Of Sauerye:

Satureia sativa.



The wilde kinde is greater and hotter/and the garden thymbra is lesse then the other and more gentler/and therfore more fit to be eaten as Dioscorides wytteth.

The wilde thymbra after the iudgemēt of Matthiolus/is *Satureia hortenensis* of Columel. whereof he maketh mention in hys verses.

As for the fyrste kinde that Dioscorides describeth/I thinke it shall be harde to fynde any suche in Englande/when as Matthiolus compleyneth that he can fynde none suche in Italy.

And although we haue here in England two kindes of sauerye/ one that dyeth euery yeare/and is commonly called sauerye/and an other kinde that is called winter sauerye in English/and closter hysope in Duche/which dureth both summer & winter. Yet neither of these answer vnto the description of Dioscorides/for it is by Dioscorides describeth it thus / Described it groweth in rough places/and in a bare grounde/& it is like tyme/but lesse & tenderer/it beareth an eare full of floures/& they of an herbish or grene color.

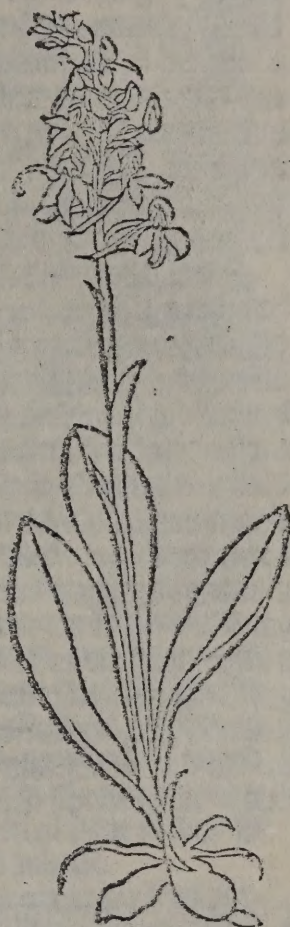
The vertues of Sauerye.

Dioscorides wytteth no more of the vertues of sauerye/but that it serueth for the same purposes/that thyme serueth for/wherefore if ye wil know what vertues sauery hath/loke them out in the chapter of thyme.

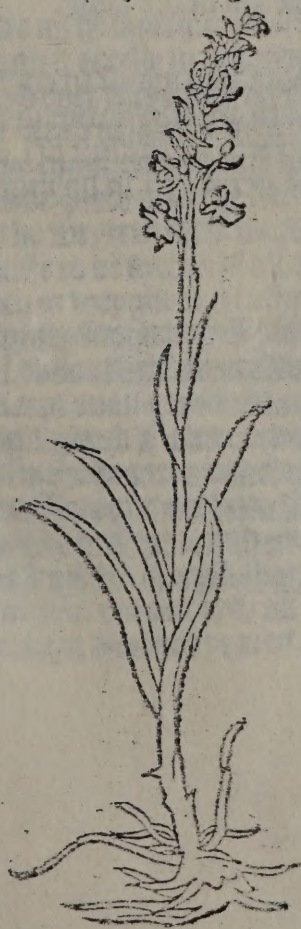
Of the



Satyrion regale.



Satyrion floribus apium similibus.



Of the herbe called Satyrion.



Satyrion is named in latine Satyrium/ it maye be named in English/ whyt Satyrion/ or whyte hares eoddes/ or in other more vni-
manerly freche/ hares ballockes.

Dioscorides describeth Satyrion thus: Satyrion whiche some call Thyleafe/ because it hath thre leaues/ bowing doune toward the earth lyke vnto a dock/ or a lily leafe/ but lesse & reder/ the stalk is of a cubit hyght/ and bare. It hath a whyte floure like a lily/ and a knoppy roote of the big-
nes of an appel/ browne in color without/ and within white as an eg/ in taste sweete/ and not vnpleasent vnto the mouth.

I haue very seldom sene this kinde of Satyrion that Dioscorides describeth here. For I neuer saw it/ sauing twyse in Germany/ and twyse in England. In Germany I haue sene it growing in great plenty besyde Worme/ and aboute Weissenburg in hygh Almayn/ and in England in Suffock. It hath a leafe broder then a lily leafe/ but shoyter and rounder. The floures are very whyte/ and the stalk is longer then any kinde of Oychis/ called Testiculus canis. Besyde thys greater kinde/ I haue sene about Charde in Sommersetshyr/ a litle kinde of Satyrion with whyte floures/ and rounder leaues/ and broder for the quantite/ then the lily leaues are. They are moske lyke yong plantayn leaues of the greater kinde. The rootes are longer/ then the rootes of the greater kinde/ and are in taste not all sweete/ but a litle turninge to some darke bitternes/ and a litle heate. The floures grow very thych together/ as they were wythen about the stalcke. I haue sene about the last ende of August/ this kinde in the floures/ tohen as all o-
ther kindes of Oychis and Satyrion are far dede awaye/ sauinge an other lile kinde with a purple floure/ which is called of some our ladies traces.

The vertues of Satyrion.



Dioscorides wyteth that the roote of Satyrion drunken in tarte binding reder wine/ is good for the bonnyng back of the neck/ and that it is suppoled to stee men to the lust of the body.

Out of Galene.



Galene wyteth that Satyrion is hote and moyst in complexion/ and that not withstanding that it hath an ouerflopyng and moyn-
dy moysture/ by reason whereof it stirreth by the lust of the bodye. The herbe and roote are both of lyke strenght in doyng of these
things.

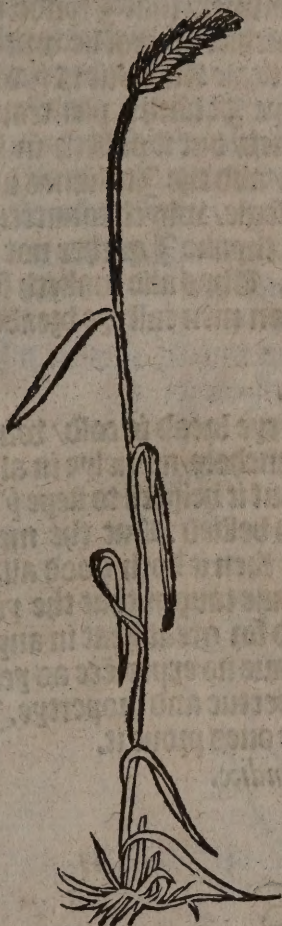
Of Rye.



Here manye yeares both Physicians and Schoolmay-
sters haue taught that our Rye which is called in Dutch Rogge/ is Siligo in Latin. But they haue ben both de-
ceyued themselves/ and other also. For Siligo is not Rye/ but a kinde of light wheate/ as it may be easely pro-
ued by the authorite of Columella and Pliny. Yet with-
out all doubt/ they taught first/ that Siligo was Rye/ had great occasion geuen them to iudge so/ euen by Columella/ who wy-
teth thus of Siligo:

Nec

Siligo.



Nec nos tanquam optabilis agricolis, fallat Siligo: nam hoc tritici vitium est. Et quāuis candore præstet, pondere vincitur. Verum in humido statu cæli, rectè provenit: & ideo locis manantibus, magis apta est. Nec tamen ea longè nobis, aut magna difficultate requirenda est. Nam omne triticū solo vliginoso, post tertiam sationem conuertitur in siliginem. For thys I do know/ that in a countre where as I haue ben / wythin the Dukedom of the Duke of Cleue/ called Sourlant/ that wheat if it be sowē in that sourlande/ as it is truely called/ the fyrste yeare it will bring furth wheat/ and in the second yeare/ if the wheat that grew there/ be sowen in the same place agayne / that it turneth into rye/ and that the same rye sowen in the same ground/ within two yeares goeth out of kinde into darnell/ & suche other naughty wedes/ as rye/ sowen in som place of Saxony / as I heard say/ when I was in Germany/ with in few yeare sowen in some felde/ is turned into good wheat.

Yet for all thys/ there are two places in Columella/ that will not suffer siliginem to be our rye. The fyrst place

is/ where as he sayeth: quamuis candore præstet, pondere tamen vincitur. That is/ although it excelle in whytenes/ yet in heuynes or weyght other excede it. who dyd euer se rye whyter then wheate/ and is it not most commonlye sene/ & rye bread is heuier then the wheat. Therefore siligo whyche is whyter then the common and best wheat/ and lighter also / can not be our rye. The seconde place is in the seconde booke of Columella/ in the sixt chapter/ where as he wryteth these wordes: we know many kindes of wheat / but that is moste to be sowen of all other/ that is called robus / because it doth excelle both in weyght and in shynning or clerenes. We ought secondely to regarde siliginem/ whose chese kinde wanteth weyght in breade. Pliny also in the xviij. boke of hys naturall history wryteth/ that Siligo spicam semper erectam habet, & pariter nunquam maturescit. That is/ siligo hath the ear euer standing ryght by/ and it neuer wereth rype alltogether. But whether oure rye groweth with the eares downwarde or no/ and whether it be rype al at one tyme or no/ I reporte me vnto them that are housband men/ and haue skyll in corn/ and both sowe it and mowe it.

By these places I trust/ that I haue sufficiently proued/ that siligo of the olde wryters/ is not our rye/ as the Philiciones and Grammarians haue taught certayn hundred yeares.

Of Rye.

But som will are of me, seying that siligo is not rye, what thynkest thou was it called of any old wyter. To them I answer, that I fynde nothinge lyke vnto our rye, the it whych is called of Sicale: wherof he writeth thus: The taurines that dwell vnder the alpes, cal sicale Asiatic: it is þ worst of al other, and is only mete to dyue hungre awaye. It hath a plenteous, but a small stalke, it is vgly to be sene for the blacknes, but it passeth in heuynes. Then when as our rye hath these propertyes, and the Italianes in som places call rye Segale, & the french men call it segle, whych countremen hold certayn remnantes of the old Latin tonge: I thynke I gather not amis, þ our rye was named secale of the old wyters. Thys also maketh something for the same purpose, that som of the Northen men call rye breade, aulsem brede, as though it had the name of assius.

The nature of Rye.

By comon experience we fynde that rye bread is cold, windy, and hard of digestion, & a breder of melancholy, namelye in al such persones, as want exercise of þ body. But it helpeth to kepe þ body soluble, such as are disposed to be hard bellied. But the medicine is grosse, and bringeth as much harm and moze then it doth good all thinges well considered. Som of the later wyters haue taught that the yong blades of rye distilled, are good for the stone, and for great heat in any parte or membre of the body. But here of, because I haue no experiēce as yet, I dare not warrant anye man, that they haue that vertue and propertye. It were good that som man that hath leasure, shoulde ones proue it.

Of the herbe called Scandix.

Scandix.

*The wrong plant
or the right plant in
the wrong place.*



Of the sea vnyon called squilla.

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Scandix is supposed of som to be y herbe which is called in English Pinke nedle/or storkes bill. And I haue iudged it to be an herbe y groweth in y corne with a sayre whyte floure/ & leaues lyke vnto cheruel. The later herbe in my iudgement draweth nerer vnto the bitternes & heat y Dioscorides requireth of scadix. But because nether of the both/hath so much heat and bitternes/ as Dioscorides semeth to geue vnto scandix: I dare not certaynly geue sentence/ that ether of them should be scandix in Dioscorides.

Of the vertues of Scandix.



Rede no other vertue y scadix hath/ but y it is good for y kidnees bladder/ & lyuer/ sauing that Galene sayth y it is good to prouoke a man to pisse/ & to deliuer al y inward bowelles from stoppage. The same Galene writeth y it is hote & drye in y second degre.

Of the sea vnyon called squilla.

Scilla.



Scilla is named in Greke Skilla of y Apothecaries Squilla/ of the hygh duch/ meus & wybel: it may be called in English/ sea vnyon or Squilla or Squill vnyon. The roote of the Squilla is like a great vnyon/ couered with a thin skin as an vnyon is. Within that ar many pilles/ one growing aboue an other/ but not hole as vnyones be: y stalke cometh first furth of y roote/ & after ward commeth a flour whyte & yelow. And a long tyme after y come out y leues/ after y maner of an vnyon/ bowyng downward the grounde. It groweth much in Spayn and Apulia/ by y sea syde/ but no other where/ sauing in suche like places without settinge or sowing. For it greweth not from the sea of hym selfe.

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The

Scandix pecken

Of the sea vnyon called squilla.

The vertues of squilla.

Squilla hath a sharpe and hote nature / but when it is roasted / it is made profitable for manye thynges. And it ought to be roasted after thys maner. Take the squilla / and couer it round about wyth clay or paste / and put it into an ouen / or couer it in the coles or ashes / vntill the past be baked inough. When as ye haue taken that away / yf the squilla be not tendre / and roasted inough / couer it with new paste / or new clay / and roste it as ye dyd before. It that is not thus dresled / is euell for the inner partes. It maye be also baked by settinge it in a pot well couered / vse only the inner partes / and cast away the outer partes: It may also be sodden in water after that it is cut in peces / the fyrst water casten oute / and freshe water put vnto it / vntill the water be no more bitter. When vse it also to skilse it / and to hange it on a threde / so that one pece touche not an other / and so drye them in the shaddow. And we vse it that is cut / to make oyle of it / and wyne and vinegre. One parte of the raw squilla heate in oyle or melted rosen / is good to be layd vpon the riftes of the fete. If it be sodden in vinegre / and layd to emplaster wyse / it is good for them that are bitten of a veper or adder. We vse to take one parte of the roasted squilla / and to put vnto it viij. partes of brused salt / and here of we vse to geue a spoun ful or two to a man fasting / to soften hys bellye. We put it also into drinckes and spice composiciones / and into such drinckes / where wyth we prouoke water / and in suche drinckes as we wold helpe the droysley with / and help them in whose stomakes the meat swimmeth aboue / or such as haue the faundes or geillsought / and haue gnawynge in the bodye / and them that are vexed wyth a longe cough / them that ar short winded / and them that spit blood: one scruple and an half is inough to be taken at one tyme wyth honye. We vse to sethe it with honye / and to geue it to be eaten for the same purpose / and so dresled / it is good to help digestion. It dryueth away stympe mater lyke shauinges of the guttes. If it be roasted and layd to / it is good for hangyng wartes / and for kybed or mould heles. The sede taken in a fyg or wyth honye / louseth the belly. They that haue any exulceration or place that hath the skinne of / and raw / had nede to take hede that they vse not the squilla. Som autours write / that if the squilla be hanged by hole aboue the doze / that no wycheecraft nor sorcerye shall take any place there.

Out of Mesue.

The sea vnyon or squilla is two wayes profitable / both because it maketh rype and redy the matter to be put furth / & dryueth furth such maters as are made redy. It is best that groweth wyth an other & not alone. For it y groweth alone & helyde hote bathes / is venemous. The best is bitter and sharp / and hath shyning pilles / and it groweth in a fre felde. It prepareth thicke and tough humores / and melancholy by cutting of the & making of the subtil / & by scouring / y they may more easely come furth / & y doth most spedyly y oxymel or honied vinegre / made of y squilla: & the same purgeth out y forsayd humores. Wherefore it is good for y diseases of y head / as y head ach / for y falling siknes / for dusines of y head / & for

Of water Germander.

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for the Diseases of the synewes / ioyntes / lunges and breste. And that doth speciallye / the electuarie made of the iuyce of it with honye / if it be licked in. The same maketh a clere voice / and so doth the honyed vinegre / made with squilla / and the vinegre alone made with the same. The same helpe the stopping of the milt and the swelling thereof. And it hindreth putrefaction to be ingendred in a mannes body. And therefore it kepeth a man in heath / and maketh a mannes body continew still in yong state / but they make a man leane. The squilla helpeth the louse growes / and the vinegre of it maketh fast teth that are louse / if the mouth be washed therewith. It taketh awaye the stinking of the mouth / and maketh the breath swete. It stancheth the ache of the stomack / it helpeth digestion / and maketh a man well colored. It maketh a louse body fast and compact / howsoever it be taken. The sodden drinck of it / may be geuen from ten drammes vnto thre vnces. Mesue maketh the sea vnyone hote in the thyrde degre / and dye almost in the same.

Out of Pliny.

The bile of squilla quickeneth the eyesight / if it be taken with vinegre and honye. It killeth wormes in the bellye. If it be freshe layd vnder the tonge / it quencheth the thyrst of them that haue the dropsie. It is good to be layd to with honye agaynst the payne of the sciatica.

Out of Galene.

The squilla hath a meruelous cutting poure / but not for all that very hote / so that a man may iudge it to be hote in the second degre. It is beste to be taken sodden or roasted / and not rawe / and so is the greate vehementye or strenght abayted. Auerris also an Arabian / writeth that Squilla is hote in the second degre / though Mesue wyte that it is hote in the thyrde degre: wherefore seying that Galene and Auerris hold / that it is no hote / and I haue by tasting founde it no hote: I had leuer holde with Galene / that it is hote onely in the second degre / then with Mesue / that maketh it hote in the thyrde degre.

Of water Germander.



Scordium is named in Greke scordion / in Duché Wasser bettenich / it maye be called in English / water germanander / or merrish germander or Garleke germander.

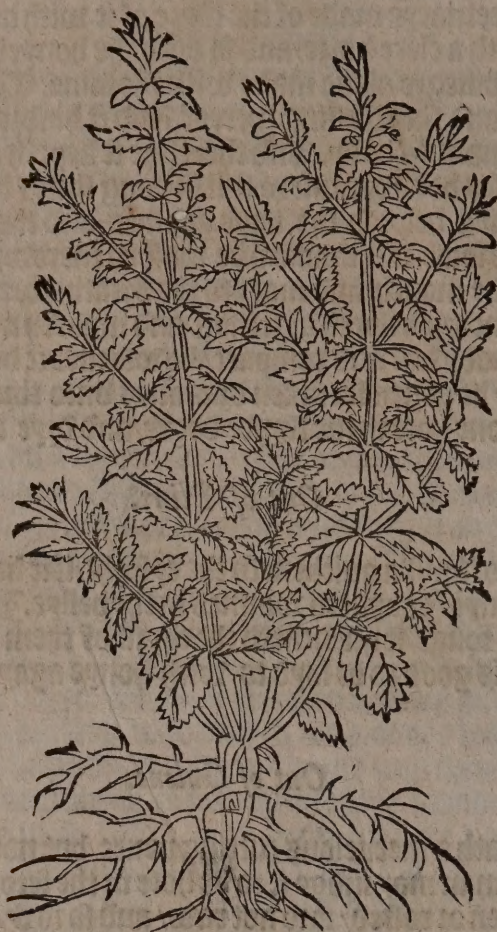
It groweth in Dorsetshyre and in Cambridge shire in good plenty.

The description of the noble herbe called Scordium
out of Dioscorides.

Scordium

Of water Germander.

Scordium.



Scordium groweth in mountaines and in merrishe groundes: It hath leaues lyke vnto Germander/ but greater/ and not so muche indented about. In smell somthing resembling Garleke/ binding/ and in taste bitter. It hath litle stalkes/ four squared/ wherevpon grow floures somthinge redishe.

The vertues of water Germander out of Dioscorides.

Water Germander hath the power to heate/ and to make a man make water. The grene herbe and also dried/ if it be sodden with wine/ is good to be dronken against the biting of serpentes/ and agaynst popson. If it be taken in the quantite of two drames with mede/ it is good for the gnawing of the stomack agaynst the bloody fluxe/ and for them that can not make water easely. It skoureth out also thicke and watery gear out of the brest. If ye will take the drye herbe/ and munge it with garden cresses/ honye and rosin/ and make an electuary therof/ and geue it to be leked by of the patiēt/ it will helpe the olde cough/ and such places as are bursten/ and shonke together. The same herbe manged with acerat or treat/ made of ware/ and layd

layd to the myd ryf: it will swage the longe heat or inflammation of the: the same is also good for the gout/ if it be layd to ether with sharpe vinegre or with water/ with hony. Also it loyneth together woundes/ and stoureth old sores and couereth them with a skin/ and when it is dyed/ it holdeth doune the fleshe that groweth to much. When use also to drinke the iuyce of it / pressed out for all the foresayd diseases / the scordium or water germander that groweth in Pontus or in Candy/ is of most vertue and streinght.

Out of Galene.

Scordium is made of diuers both tastes and poures/ for it hath som bitterness/ som tartnes/ and som sharpnes / which is lyke unto garleke / called scorodon/ whereupon I thinke that scordium hath hys name.

It stoureth out and warmeth the inward bowelles also/ & it drieth oute both water and also floures. Also if it be dronken/ it healeth the partes y are burthen and shronken together/ & the payn of the syde if it come of stoppings or of colde. The same Galene in hys booke de antidotis/ that is of triacle or preseruatiue medicines agaynst poyson/ writeth further of scordium thus: The beste scordium is brought from Candis/ howbeit it is not to be mispyked that groweth in other countrees. It is written by men of great graunte/ that so many dead bodyes of certayn men that were killed in a battel/ as set vpon scordiu/ & namely such partes as touched it/ were much lesse putrified/ then y other were/ & som came into y beleue that scordiu was good against the putrifying poyson of venemous beastes/ and of other poysones.

Of the herbe called Securidaca.



Securidaca is called in Greke Edifferon or Delikind/ I haue sene this herbe only in gardines in England/ wherfore I could neuer learne any English name of it: but lest it should be about name / I call it Besede or Arwurt/ or Arslch/ because Dioscorides sayeth y the seide of securidaca is lyke vnto a two edged are.

The description of Securidaca out of Dioscorides.

Securidaca is a litle bushe hauinge leaues lyke a ciche/ called in Latin Cicer/ & coddies lyke vnto litle hornes/ wherein is rede seide/ lyke vnto a two edged are/ wherupon it hath the name: the seide is in tast bitter / but dronke it is pleasant to y stomack. I haue sene ij. kindes of Arwurt/ both wyth the leaues of a Ciche. But the one grewe wilbe in Germanye/ and had coddies very litle/ bowed in an other kinde wyth coddies so bowying inwarde/ that they might be compared vnto a bowe of apock/ & this kind dyd I neuer see/ but in gardins. Dioscorides writeth y it groweth amongst y barley & wheat.

The nature of Securidaca.

Dioscorides writeth y although it be better in tast/ yet it is pleasant vnto the stomack/ & y it is put into triacles/ & preseruatiues. Of other good properties/ he maketh no further mention: Galene writeth besyde these properties/ that it openeth the stopping of the inward partes/ and that all the buddes and braynches do the same.

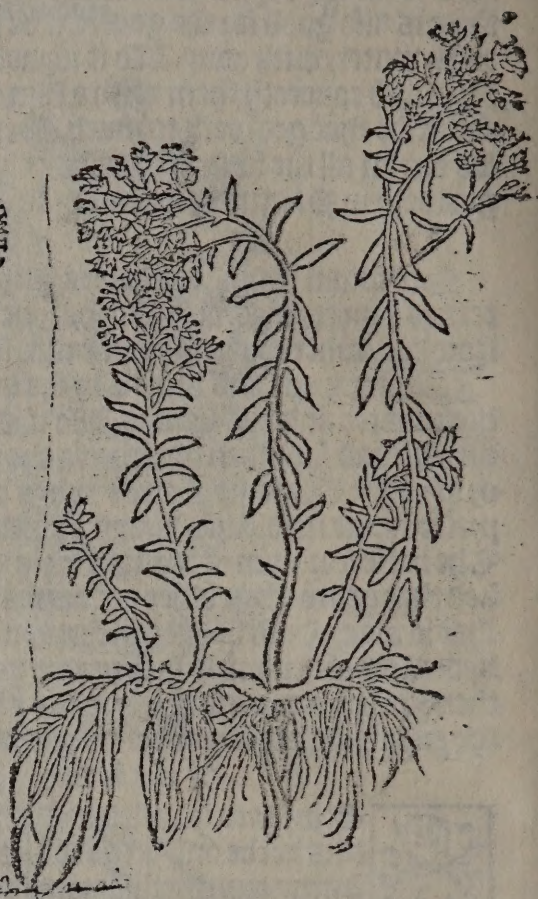
Out of Aetius.

The seide of Arslch is most pleasant to the stomack/ & is most fit for all the inward bowelles. In hote complexions/ y seide of Arwurt ought to be mingled w the emplasters/ that are made for the hardnes of the milt. Howbeit also in colde complexiones/ and in all other it is very excellent.

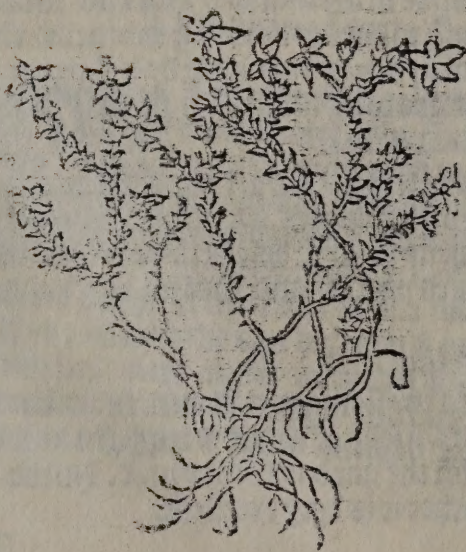
Sedum magnum.



Sedum femina.



Sedum tortuosum genus.



Sedum minus.



Sedum is called also in Latin *Semperuium* and in Greke *Neizoon*. There are iiii. kindes of *semperuium*: the fyrste kinde is called in Latin *Sedum magnum* in Greke *Neizoon mega* in English *Houfleke* and of som *Singren* but it ought better to be called *Aygrene* in Duche it is called *Gros haufwurtz* in French *Jubarb*. The seconde kinde is called in English *thrift stone crop* in Latin *Sedum minus*. The thyrde kinde is called of som late wyters *Vermicularis* in English *Hous taylor* or *litle stone crop* and in Duche *Maurpfeffer*.

The description of the kindes of Semperuium.

Houfleke hath the name of *Semperuium* in Latin and of *Neizoon* in Greke the leaues are grene: wherfore me thynke that *Aygrene* as I sayed before is a better name for it then *Singrene*. The fyrst or great kinde hath a stalk a cubit hygh or hygher as thicke as your thumb/ fatt/ saye grene/ hauinge litle cuttings in it as *Cithimalus characias* hath: the leaues are fatt/ or thicke/ of the bignes of a mannes thumb/ at the poynt lyke a tonge. The nethermoste leaues lye wyth there bellies byward/ and the poyntes downwarde: but they that are toward the top/ beyng drawen together/ resemble a circle with the figure of an eye. It groweth in mountaynes/ and bylly places/ som vse to set it vpon theyr houses.

But the lesse *Semperuium* that we call *thrift* or *great stone crop* groweth in walles/ rockes/ mudwalles/ and shaddow ditches/ it hath manye stalkes comming from one root/ small/ full of rounde leaues/ fat and sharpe in the ende/ it bringeth furth a stalk in the middes a span long/ whyche hath a bushye and shaddow top/ and small grene floures.

There semeth to be a thyrde kinde of *Aygrene* som call it *Porcellayne* or *Teliphium* the Romaynes call it *Illicibram* it hath leaues thicker and rough drawyng nere vnto the leaues of *Porcellayn*/ thys kind groweth in rockes.

The vertues of the kindes of aygrene.

The great kinde hath a cooling nature and binding: the leaues by them selues/ and layd to wyth perched barley mele/ are good for the burnyng heat of swelled places/ called *Crispilata* or of other saynt Antonies fyre/ agaynst crepinge sores and frettinge sores/ agaynst the inflammationes of the eyes/ agaynst burning and hote goutes. It is good to poure vpon the head that aketh/ the iuyce of *Houfleke* wyth perched barley mele and rose oyle/ the same to be geuen in drinke vnto them that are bitten of the felde spider. It is also geuen vnto them that haue a great lax/ or the bloody fire. If it be dronken wyth wine/ it driueth out of the belly brode wormes: if it be serued after y^e maner of a suppositoary vnto woemen/ as the place inquireth/ it stoppeth the issue of woemen: the iuyce also is good for them that are blare eyed/ if it come of blood. The leaues of the second kinde/ called *stone crepe*/ hath the same nature that *Houfleke* hath.

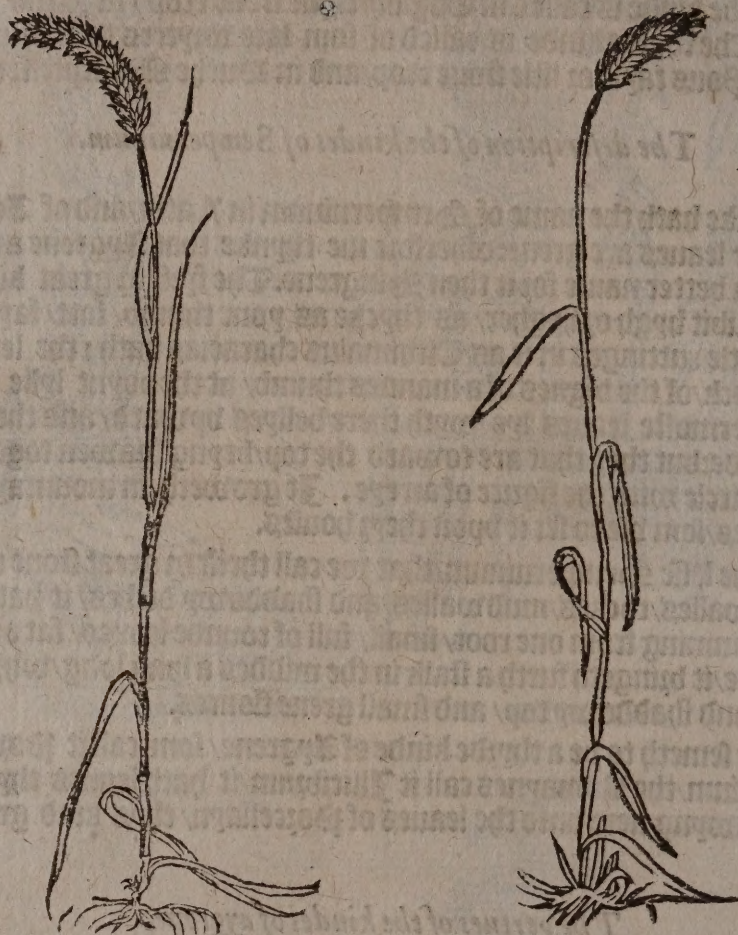
Of Spelt.

The thynde kinde called *Wermicularis*/hath an hote nature/ and sharpe and blisteringe / and power to dryue away wennes/ if it be layed to woth swoynes grese.

Of the corne called Spelt.

Zea primum genus.

Zea alterum genus.



Spen is called in Greke *Zeia*/in Italian *Splelta* *pira biada* and *alga*/in Duche *speltz*/it may in English be called *spelt*:howbeit I neuer sawe it in England. There are two kindes of *zea*/ whereof the one is called *single*/ and the other two cornes/ because it hath the seede ioyned together in two chaffy coueringes. The fyrst kind is called in Duche *Tinkel*. The seconde kinde is called *speltz*/ and is comon about *Weissenburg* in hygh *Almany*/ viij. Duch myle of thys syde of *Strasburg*. And there all men vse it in the stede of wheat / for there groweth no wheat at all. Yet I neuer sawe fayrer and pleasanter bread in any place in all my lyfe/then I haue eaten there/made only of this *spelt*/the corn is muche lesse then wheat/and shorter then rye/ but nothing so black.

The vertues of Spelt.

Dioscori.

Of Groundsell.

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Dioscorides writeth that spelt is good for the stomach / and that if it be taken in bread / it nourisheth more then barley / and lesse then wheate. If any man desyre to knowe any more of the fashion and properties of spelta / let him rede Galene of the poures of wheates and nourishmentes / and Theophrast in the seuenth booke of plantes / & there he shall haue it / that he desyret.

Of Groundsell.

Senecio.



Senecio is named in Greke Erigeron / in Englishe Groundsel or Groundstail / in Dutch kreutzwurtz.

Groundsel hath a stalk a cubit hygh / somthyng rede / litle leaues growyng together / indeted in the outermost partes / after the manner of the leaues of rocke / but muche lesse. It hath yelow floures / whyche shortly ryse / and wyther into down / wherbyon it hath the name in Greke Erigeron / because the floures after the manner of heare were hoyn in y spring of the yere. The roote is nothyng wurt / it groweth most in mudwalles and about cyties.

The vertues of groundsell.

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Of wild thyme.

The leaues and the floures haue a coolinge nature/wherefore if they be
bruised/and layed to wyth a litle wyne / they heale the burninge heat or
inflammation of the stones/and of the fundament/the same thinge wil they
do/if they be layed on alone: but layed to wyth the fyne pouder of frankin-
cense/ it healeth both the woundes/ and of the synewes/and other places/
the downe also of it/layd to wyth vinegre alone/is good for the same purpo-
ses/but the freshe downe if it be dronken/ strangleth the hole stalke sodden
wyth water / and dronke wyth maluasey/ healeth the ake of the stomack
that ryseth of choler.

Of wild thyme.

Serpillum.



Both Dioscorides and Plinye make two kindes of Serpillum/
that is of crepinge thyme. But they do not agre in the descrip-
tion of them: for Dioscorides describeth Serpillum thus / one
kinde of Serpillum groweth in gardines/ and resembleth Mer-
gerum in smell/and it is vsed to be put in garlandes:it hath the name of ser-
pendo / that is of crepinge / because whatsoeuer parte of it toucheth
the grounde / it fasteneth rootes therein. It hath leaues and braun-
ches lyke Organe / called of som wilde Mergerum / but whyter:
but if

but if it be set about hedges/it groweth more lustely:the other kind is wild/
and is called zigis. This doth not crepe/ but standeth right vp / and it put-
teth furth small stalkes/after the maner of a bind/whyche are full of leaues
lyke vnto rue/ but the leaues are narrower/ longer and harder / the floures
haue a bytinge taste/ the smell of it is very pleasante/ the roote is nothyng
worth. It groweth more stronger in rockes/ and it is hotter / then it of the
gardine / and is fitter for physick. But Pliny wyrteth thus of Serpillum:
When thynke that it hath the name of serpendo/ that is of crepinge/ whyche
thyng it chanseth in the wilde/ and specialllye vpon rockes/ the gardine ser-
pillum crepeth not/ but groweth vnto the hyght of a span: it is fatter that
groweth of hys owne will/ and hath whyter leaues and boughes/ and it is
good agaynst serpentes: Hether to Pliny. Nowe ye se the contrary iudge-
ment of these two greates learned men/ wherof the one sayeth the gardin ser-
pillum crepeth not/ but groweth ryght vp. It is harde to tell to whether of
these a man should stick: the authorite of Dioscorides moueth me to stande
of hys syde/ but som experience as I shall declare hereafter / maketh me ra-
ther leane vnto Pliny/ for as I haue seldom seene anye serpillum/ though it
had ben brought furth of the felde/ and set in the gardine / crepe and take
routes from the ioyntes of the braunches: so I neuer sawe anye in the felde
that grew alltogether streyght vp/ from the ground specially/ if it were of a-
ny age/ but dyd alwayes crepe and grow along by the grounde: howbeit I
grant that euen the wilde serpillum/ when as it bringeth furth hys top and
floure/ hath a litle stalke aboue the ground about vi. inches longe/ or therab-
out: it is possible that Dioscorides loking vpon the wilde serpillum / about y
tyme of flouringe/ and not considering it at other tymes/ dyd therefore geue
sentence that the wilde serpillum dyd not crepe/ but that it of the gardine
should crepe/ and take routes in the grounde at the ioyntes/ it is contrarie
to my experience/ except he mean of such as is brought from the felde/ and
is planted in the gardin/ for although it bussheth largely/ and groweth som-
thyng asyde/ yet it fastneth very seldom any rootes in the grounde/ whereof
the cause maye be/ that the gardinere will not let it growe so long / that it
maye crepe vpon the ground/ and so will not suffer it to take roote. It is al-
so lyke it that Pliny calleth the small kind of tyme/ that is comon in our gar-
dines in Englande/ serpillum hortense/ and if that be his meaninge/ then is
hys opinion very true/ for that neuer crepeth. And that there are two kyn-
des of tyme/ and not one alone as som holde/ wherof Pliny may call the one
serpillum hortense/ these wordes of Dioscorides in Epitimo beare wytnes.
Epithymum is the floure of an harder thyme/ and lyke vnto sauery. Plinye
also maketh two kindes of thyme/ but he diuideth them not as Dioscorides
doth/ but he diuideth the one into the whyter/ and the other into y blacker/
where as Dioscorides diuideth thys thymes into the harder/ whych is grea-
ter/ and into the softer and lesse kinde / wherefore the lesse and softer kinde
may be the gardine serpillum of Pliny/ & no kinde of Plinyes thymes. And
these do I saye rather by the waye of serching for the truth/ then for any de-
termination/ leuing the mater to the iudgemente of the learned and discret
reader.

Serpillum that is in gardines/ is called in the moſte parte in Englande

Of wilde Thyme.

creping thyme/and about Charde pulimountayn. It that is abroade in the feldes/is called wilde thyme in English/and in Duche Quendel/ in Netherland/bnser lieuer frawen betstro/in Frenche du Serpolet/ in Italian serpil lo/in Spanissh/serpolho.

The vertues of wilde thyme or rinning thyme.

Rinning thyme dronkers/bringeth down a womans sikenes / and dryueth furth water. It is also good for the gnawing and wounding in y^e bellye/for bursten places and drawen together / against the inflammations of the lyuer/and against serpentes/both dronken and also layd to wythout. The same sodden wyth vinegre / and afterward mixed with rose oyle/will swage the head ache/if the broth be poured vpon the head. It is meruelous good/for the forgetfull euell called of som letharge/and for the phrenesye. The iuyce of it dronken in the quantite of iiii. drammes/wyth vinegre/stoppeth the vomiting of blood. Serpillū is more then hote in the seconde degre a greate deale. I take it to be hote in the thyrde degre.

Of Melilote or Italian Melilote.

Serta campana or Sertula campana/is named in Greke Melilotos/but howe it is called in English/I can not tell/ for I neuer sawe it in England/but it may be called right melilote/ or Italian melilote/som Duche men though it growe no more in Duch land/then it doth in England/call it in Duche/Welsch steynklee.

I haue sene two kindes of Melilote/where of the one came out of Italy/whych I reken was the true Melilote/and an other kinde whych came out of Spayn/whych Matthiolus maketh his Scorpioides/ wyth sede in longe hornes/throw the whych a man myght se/howe euery sede dyd lye.

Of Melilote out of Dioscorides.

The best Melilote groweth about Athenes/and in Cistk/ and Chalcedonia/and it resembleth saffron/a is well smelling. It groweth also in Campania / aboute Nola/ of the color of a quince/ but of a weyk smell. I fynde no larger description of melilote in Dioscorides/ wherefore we muste gather the description by other meanes/ then by hys description. It doth appeare by the name of Melilote/that it is a kinde of Lotus/and all the kindes of Lotus haue thre leaues together/ lyke a clauer/where vpon I gather that melilote ought to haue leaues lyke to clauer or trifoly. Dioscorides also intreatinge of Ligustrum or appennine : louage maketh the leaues of it lyke vnto the leaues of melilote. But the ligusticum hath leaues speciallpe them that are outermoste / thre growynge together lyke vnto a clauer or trifolye / but longer/ whereby and by the former description/a man may playnely gather/that the comon herbe that is vsed for melilote/is not the ryght melilote. For the ryghte melilote must haue longe leaues lyke Ligustik/whych the comon melilote hath not/ and also it must resemble saffron/and haue a good smell/ whych propertyes/ because they can not

can not be founde in the comon melilote/ therefore it can not be the ryghte melilote/ but a kynde of wilde lotus / whereof Theophrast maketh manye kindes.

The vertues of Melilote.

Melilote hath a poure to bynde together/ and to soften euery inflam-
mation/ specialllye about the eyes/ the mother/ the fundament and
stones/ with maluaſey/ and ſo layed to / ſomtyme there muſte be
menged withall/ the yolke of an egge roſted/ or the mele of ſenel-
greke/ or linteſede/ or ſloure/ or the heades of poppy/ or ſuccory/ or endiue ſod-
den in water/ it healeth newe Meliceridas/ that is impoſtemes/ hauynge
wythin them an humoz lyke hony. It healeth alſo the runninge ſores of the
head/ if it be layed to wyth the earth of Cio/ and wyne/ or wyth a galle/ both
ſodden wyth wyne/ and alſo rawe/ layd to wyth any of the fornamed/ it ſwa-
geth the ache of the ſtomack. The rawe iuyce preſſed oute and poured in
wyth maluaſey/ healeth the ache of the eares. It healeth alſo the head ache
if it be menged wyth vinegre and roſe oyle/ and ſpreckled vpon the head.
Galene wyrteth that melilote is of a mixed qualite/ and that it is ſomthyng
hyndynge/ and that it digeſteth therewyth/ and maketh rype/ and that the
ſubſtance of it is more hote then colde.

Of the herbe called Sefamum.



Sefamum is not deſcribed of Dioſcorides/ & therfore ma-
ny erre about the knowledge of it. I wil therfore gather
as much as I ca out of other old autozes/ wherby it may
here after be ſerched & better found out and more perfit-
ly known. Theophrast rekeneth milium panicum & ſeſa-
mam together/ in the viij. boke and fyrſt chapter / and in
the iij. chapter/ and many other places. Columella where
as he ſpeaketh of the ſowynge of milium and panicum/ immediatly maketh
mention alſo of ſeſama as a thyng/ lyke one to an other. Pliny in diuerſe pla-
ces doth the ſame/ as in the xviij. boke and vij. chapter/ and in the xxiij. boke/ &
xxv. chapter/ and Dioſcorides by and by after milium and panicum wyrteth
of ſeſama/ as of a thyng lyke vnto them/ wherebpon a man may gather that
there is greate lykenes betwene milium panicum and ſeſama. Theophrast
lib. viij. cap. iij. wyrteth & ſeſama hath ſuch a ſtalke as the ſerula hath/ whiche
is holowe/ and lyke vnto a homlok/ and in the v. chapter he ſayeth/ that ther
is one kinde of ſeſama that is whyte/ he wyrteth alſo that no beaſt will eat
ſeſama when it is grene/ becauſe it is ſo bitter. Pliny alſo in the xvij. boke &
vij. chapter wyrteth/ that ſeſama hath a ſtalke lyke ſerula/ and that the ſede of
it is kept in litle beſſelles/ and in the x. chapter of the ſame boke he wyrteth &
ſeſama was fetched out of Inde/ and that the ſede of it ſerueth to make oyle
of/ and that the chaſſ of milium panicum and ſeſama/ is called Apluda. And
as touching the leaues/ Pliny ſayeth that ſeſama hath leaues blood rede.

Z iij

I thynke

Of the herbe called Sesamum.

I thynke that where as there are two herbes/that are now taken for sesama/nether of them haue all these properties that Theophrast and Pliny geue vnto sesama. The fyrst herbe whych is of long time hath ben taken for sesama/hath sedes in litle vesselles/and the sedes are full of oyle/but the leaues and stalke are not lyke sesama / nether is the hole herbe lyke vnto mili-um or panicum. Thys herbe is liuely set furth in Matthiolus and in Hieronymus Bock. It is called in Dutch/flackes totter/the leaues ar lyke a brode arrow head/if the endes were not croked and to smal/but they are not rede but grene/and the sede is redishe yelow. It groweth in Germany commonly amongst flachs/and men fede byrdes wpyth the sede of it there / nameye syskennies / and linnettes/ and golde finches/and byrdes of Canaria. But for the causes aboue reherfed/it can not be sesama of the old wyrters.

The other kinde of herbe/whych is moste commonly taken for the right and true sesama/haue I also sene growyng as well as the former kinde : It hath leaues lyke basil/and a yelowish rede sede/all full of oyle. It is well set oute in the seconde edition of Matthiolus/ but nether the leues of it / ne-ther the stalke / nether anye lykenes that it hath wpyth panicum or mili-um do agre wpyth the markes that Theophrast and Pliny do geue vnto theyr sesama/wherefore I can not se how ether of these can be the ryghte sesama of the olde wyrters/allthough the sede of them both be verye oylishe/ and in many thynges will serue in the stede of the ryght sesama.

The vertues of Sesama.

Sesama whyche maye be called in English oyle sede/is euell for the stomack/and maketh ones bryth stinke / when it sticketh in y teth while it is in eating/but if it be layed to/it dryueth away the grossnes of the synewes/ and it helpeth byrled eares/ inflammaciones/ burnt places/the paynes of the ioyntes/and the biting of the serpent/ called cerastes. Wpyth rose oyle it swageth the head ache that commeth of heat. The herbe sodden in wyne/doth thesame. It is most fit for the inflammaciones and ache of the eyes/there oyle made of it / whyche the Egyptianes vse.

Of Siler mountayn.



Seli massiliense is named of the Apothecaries siler montanum/it may be called in English siler mountayn. Dioscorides describeth it thus: Seli of Massilia hath leaues lyke vnto fenell/but grosser and a bigger stalke also/and a spokye top lyke vnto dill/ wherein is long sede couered/and byting streyght way after it is eatē. The rote is long and well smellinge.

The vertues of Siler mountayn.

The roote and the sede haue an hote poure/if they be dronken/they heale the stranguriam/and the shorte winde/ they are also good for the franglinge

giting of the mother/and for the falling siknes/they dryue out floures/and al
 so the byrth/and they are good for all inward diseases/ and they heal an old
 cough. The sede dronken wyth wyne/helpeth digestion/ and taketh awaye
 the gnawing of the bellye. And it is good for agues/wherein a man is both
 hote and colde at one tyme. It is good to be dronken wyth wyne and pep-
 per agaynst the coldnes in a iorney. It is also geuen to gotes in drink / and
 to other beastes also to make them bring furth moze easely.

Of Hartis wurt.



Seseli Ethiopicum groweth in diuerse partes of hyghe
 Germanye / where I haue sene it both grene and dye/
 and som call it hartz wurt/but I neuer sawe it in Eng-
 lande / wherefore we maye call it Hartwurt/wyth the
 Duch men/butyll we fynde a better name for it.

It hath leaues lyke Bay/but lesser/ and longe of the
 fashon of wodbinde leaues. It is a great bushye herbe/
 or a blacke bushe as my Greke tertte hath/for it hath melas/ and not megas/
 and it groweth two cubites hygh / wherein are braunches two spannes
 long/and a top lyke dyl/the sede is black/thyck as wheat / but moze byting
 and better smelling/and berye pleasant.



Seseli Deloponense hath leaues lyke vnto Homlok/but broder and
 grosser/or thycker. It hath a greater stalke then it of Hassilia/of
 lykenes of ferula. And in the ouermoste parte of it/is a spokye top/
 wherein is broder sede/and thycker/and well smelling. It grow-
 eth in rough places/in moyst places/an in hygh places / and also in Ida / it
 hath the same vertue wyth the other.

The figure that Matthiolus setteth out/for seseli Deloponense / in my
 iudgement agreeth not wyth the description of Dioscorides: for the leaues
 of hys herbe/in the figure/are not lyke homloke/nether in one poynte nor o-
 ther. The leaues of it that I sawe growyng about weissenburg in hygh Ger-
 many is somthinge lyke persely/wherefore som haue taken it for petroselinum
 or apio montano/the roote is very long and great/and of a strong smell/but
 not vtterly vnpleasant.

Of the thre kindes of Sideritis.



Sideritis whyche is called of some Heraclea / is an herbe whyche
 hath leaues lyke vnto horehound/but longer drawyng nere vnto
 the lykenes of sage or an oke/but lesser and rougher: it hath four-
 squared stalkes a span hygh/or hygher/not vnpleasant in tast/and
 after a maner somthing binding/& in them are round thynges lyke whor-
 les/certayn spaces goyng betwene as horehound hath/and ther in is black
 sede. It groweth in places somthing rockye. Thys herbe that Dioscorides
 describeth here/groweth in the old walles of Colon/and also about the fel-
 des of moynes/not far from the harnes mylles.

It hath

Of the thre kindes of Sideritis.

Sideritis prima.



It hath longe small indented leaues / with a good smell. And I suppose that Fuchsius describeth the same herbe / and although Matthiolus doth reprove Fuchsius in taking of thys herbe for the fyrst kinde of Sideritis / yet he setteth one for the fyrst kinde whych is much lesse agreyng wyth the description of Dioscorides / then it that Fuchsius setteth furth. For except I be far begyled / as I thinke I am not / he setteth out for the fyrst kinde of Sideritis / marrubium palustre Tragi / that is water horehound. That herbe groweth alwayes about water sydes / and it hath a stinking smell of garleke / & it is a cubit hygh / and for the moste parte hygher / wherfore it can not be the fyrste kinde of Sideritis / whyche groweth in rockye groundes / and hath a stalke but a span long / or not muche aboue. Thys kinde is called in Duche Glitkraut / it may be called in English Bronwurt or Rock sage.

The second kind hath braunches two cubites hygh / but small. It hath many leaues in long foot stalkes / lyke vnto the leaues of a brake / and in the ouer parte clouen of eche syde. Out of the hyghest winges come furth certeyn outgrowynges / long and small / and in the hygh top of al / representing a rounde bowle / hauinge a rough heade / wherein is sede / lyke the sede of a bete / but rounder and harder.

I haue

I haue sene no herbe more agreyng vnto thys description/then the herbe that groweth in sennes/called of som Osmunda/ but I am afrayd that þ top of it and the seide will not suffer it to be Sideritim secundam.

Of the thyrde kinde of Sideritis.

The thyrde kinde groweth in walles and wyneyardes/and it hath many leaues/commynge from one roote lyk vnto the leaues of Coziander/ about litle stalkes/being a span hygh/fineth/tendre/and somthyng whytish. It hath rede floures/in taste bitter and clammye. If herbe Robert had had whyte floures as it hath rede/it myghte haue well ben the thyrde kinde of Sideritis. But the other kinde that hath the whytish stalkes/after my iudgement is the thyrde kynde/whyche maye be called in Englishe Coziandye wounde wede.

The vertues of the kindes of Sideritis.

The leaues of the fyrste kinde layd to/do bynde woundes together/ and defende them from inflammation. The leaues of the seconde kynde is also good for woundes. The thyrde kinde is also good for blodye and grene woundes.

Of the Carob tre.

Siliqua.



The

Of the Carob tre.



The fruyte of the tre/ that is called in Greke Keratonia/ is named in Greke Keraton/ in Latin Siliqua/ of the later Grecianes Xyloceraton/ in Italian Carobe/ in French Carouge/ in Spanishe Farobas/ in Dutch sant Johans brot/ but howe that it is named in Englishe/ I can not tell/ for I neuer sawe it in England/ yet I haue had the tre of it/ growing in my gardin at Colon in Germanye/ and I haue sene the fruyt in diuerse places of Italy/ where as it is called Carobe. Yet althoughe thys fruyte be not/ nether hath ben in England that I haue heard of/ for all that all the interpretours that haue interpreted the new Testament/ haue Englished siliquas coddies/ not wythout a greate error. For siliqua althoughe it signifye som tyme a cod or an huske of beanes or peasen/ or suche other like pulse/ yet it signifieth in the xv. of Luke/ the fruyte of a tre/ and not simply a cod or a huske wythoute anye addition/ whereof it is a cod/ for it is named in Greke of Luke Keraton. The tre is a talle tre/ and it hath leaues in suche ordre as the ashen leaues growe in/ but they are muche rounder and shorter/ and in dede the braunche of the Carob tre is lykkest vnto a bean/ both in fruyt and leaues of any tre or pulse that I know. The fruyt is lyke a longe flat beane/ in coloz rede/ in taste when it is ripe and dyed/ swete/ but vnpleasant whylle it is grene.

These thynges beyng so/ it were better to English siliquas/ Carob coddies/ then coddies alone. The tre may be named in Englishe a Carob tre/ and the fruyt a Carob/ or the tre maye be named a bean tre/ and the fruyt a Carob beane. If any man can fynde any better or fitter name/ I shal be wel content there wyth.

The vertues of the Carob.



Reshe and grene Carobes are euell for the stomack/ but they louse the bellye: the same dyed/ stop the belly/ and become better for the stomack. They prouoke also vyne/ and specially suche as are layd by in the stones of grapes.

Out of Galene.

The Carob beane ingendreth but a noughty iuyce/ and it is full of wood/ by reason whereof it must nedes be hard of digestion/ and thys is an euell propertie that it hath/ that it will not lightlye go doune. Wherefore it were better that they were no more brought from the East countrees/ where as they grow hyther into thys countre. He wyrteth also: The carob tre called Ceratonia/ is of a binding and drying nature/ as the fruyte is/ whych is called Ceratium/ and it hath som sweetenes in it. The carob hath one thyng lyke vnto a chirre/ for whylle it is grene/ it louseth the bellye more/ and when it is dyed/ it stoppeth the bellye more/ because the moysture is spent awaye/ and it that is of a grosse substance/ doth onelye remayne.

Of

Of Mustarde.

Sinapi primum genus.

Sinapi hortense.

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Mustarde is nether diuided into kindes, nether described of Diosco-
rides, because it was so well knowen in hys tyme. And now it is
so well knowen, that it nedeth but a shorte description, whiche is
metely well set furth in Pliny. For he in the xix. booke and viij. chap-
ter writeth thus of mustarde. Mustarde is of thre kindes, whereof one kin-
de is verie small. The other kinde hath leaues lyke a rape. The thyrde kind
hath leaues lyke rocket. Thys is the diuision ioyned wpyth a shorte descrip-
tion. There maye be made an other diuision of mustarde by the sede, wher-
of one kynde is whyte, and the other blackish browne or redish. It that hath
the whyte sede, is muche shorther, then the other kindes that haue the browne
sede. It that groweth in the gardin, groweth vnto a greate hyght, and it
hath verie manye and longe bzaunches. It that groweth in the corne in
Somerletshyre, a litle from Glassenberrye, is muche shorther then the gar-
dine mustarde is, but nothynge behynde it in biting and sharpnes. Mus-
tarde is named in Greke, Rapi or sinepi, or sinapi in Englishe, frenche,
and Lowe duche mostarde, in hygh Duche Senffe, in Latin Sinapi or
Sinapis.

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The

Of Mustarde.

The vertues of Mustardes



The best mustard is it that is not wethered nor wyncled/ and is rede and full growen/ and when it is broken/ it is grene within/ and as it were ful of iuyce/ and as it were graye in color/ for suche it is freshe and of a perfect age. The vertue of mustarde is to heate/ to make subtil/ and to draw vnto it/ and when it is chowded/ to draw doune thynne flemme from the head: but the iuyce of it mended wyth mede/ if it be gargled wyth all/ it is good for the diseases of the almondes aboute the rootes of the tonge/ and for longe roughnes/ and hardnes of the wynde pypes. If it be broken and put into the nose thrylles/ it maketh a man to nele: it is good for them that haue the fallinge siknes/ and it stereth by weomen that are strangled of the mother.

It is also good to be layd vpon the heades of them that haue the drowsey euell/ or forgetfull siknes/ called lethargus/ after that the heare is shauen of. If it be mended wyth a fygge/ and layed vpon the place vntill that it be rede/ it is good for the sciatica/ and for the milte/ and to be shote for euerye olde ache/ where as by the gresse of an other parte/ we will remoue anye thynge from the depe/ vnto the skynne/ it healeth also scalled heades/ where as the stalke is rede/ and the heare falleth of. If it be layd vpon the fore place/ it scoureth also the face/ and taketh awaye blewe markes that come of brusynge/ if it be layd to wyth honye or fat/ or wyth a cerote mayd of ware. If it be layed to wyth vinegre/ it is good for lepres and wilde scabbes/ and rynnynge scurfte. It is good to be dronken for agues whyche retorne agayne by course at a certayne tyme/ so that it be sprenkled or put into the drynke after the maner of perched barle mele. It is also good to be mended wyth drawynge emplaisters/ and wyth suche as are prepared agaynst scabbes. And the same broken wyth fygges/ and put into the eares/ it is good for them that are hard of hearinge. And it is good for the foundyng or noyse of the heade. The iuyce of it/ if it be layed to wyth honye/ is good for the dulnes of syght/ and for the roughnes of the eybrees. When vse to presse out the iuyce of it/ whylle it is grene/ and then to drye it in the sun. Galene sayeth that mustard is hote and drye in the fourth degre.

Out of Pliny.



Thagoras dyd iudge that mustarde was moste principall of all those thynghes/ whose vertue were caried by into the head/ because that there is nothynge that percheth more the nose and the brayne then it doth. And it setteth furth his poure and streyngh very far abrode. If that to greate a slepe bere them that haue the forgetfull syknes/ it is good to be layd to emplaister wyse/ ether by the heade/ or the shynnes/ wyth a fygge and vinegre. It healeth by making of blisteres by the reason of the burning heat/ anye parte of the bodye out of the

the whych euell humozes and faultes of the body ought to be drawen oute/ from the depe vnto the skin/ and taketh awaye olde aches of the breste/ loynes and hippes/ by the foresayd meanes. In a greate hardnes it is layed on wythout a fygge/ but if greater burninge be looked for/ it is layd on a double cloth/ goynge betwene.

Of the herbe called Sion.



The herbe that is named in Greke Sion/ and in Latin Sium/ is supposed to be called of Pliny lauer. The same is called of som in English/ but falsely/ water cresses/ and of other beltagges/ but to haue som sure and comon name/ it is best to call it water persely/ or sallat persely. It is named in Duch Brunnen peterlin/ or wasser merk/ in Italian Gorgolestro/ as Matthiolus sayth/ and in Spanish Rabacas/ in frenche Beric.

Sion as Dioscorides describeth it/ groweth in the water/ and is a smal bushye herbe/ growynge ryghte vp and fatt/ it hath brode leaues lyke vnto Alexander/ but lesser/ and of a spicye smell. By this description they are confuted/ that hold that brooklen/ called in Duch Bachpungen/ should be syon/ when as it hath nether leaues lyke vnto Alexander/ nether groweth ryghte vp/ but groweth low by the ground sydelinges/ so are they also confuted to take water kresse or burn kresse to be syon/ when as it hath no leaues lyke vnto Alexander. Ether Matthiolus knoweth not the ryght syon/ or ellis I knowe it not. For the Sion that I knowe/ hath not sede in litle coddies/ but in the toppe after the maner of anise/ and the roote is not lyke the rootes of water cresses. I am far deceyued/ except the figure that Matthiolus setteth out/ be not lyke the monstre that Horace maketh mention of/ whych hath a mannis head/ set vpon a horse neck/ and many diuerse fethers vpon them/ for I haue gone thorow England/ hygh Germany and low Germany/ and a great deale of Italy/ where as I sought diligentely all kindes of herbes/ but I could neuer fynde yet any such herbe/ as Matthiolus setteth furth for sion/ for his sion hath the verbe true rootes and coddies of water cresses/ whych neuer man/ as I thynke dyd se in sion. Let men that are learned in the history of herbes iudge/ whether I iudge ryght or no.

There are two kindes of herbes belyde this/ wherof the greater is in all thynges/ sauinge the bignes is like vnto sion/ the other kinde is of a cubite hyght/ and hath leaues verbe lyke perselye in figure/ sauinge that they are a great deal bigger. I iudge that thys kinde is called of Pliny silans/ whyche as he sayeth/ nascitur in glareosis & perennibus fluuijs, apij similitudine.

The vertues of water persely, called in Latin Sium or Lauer.

The leaues of water persely/ whether they be eaten rawe/ or sodden/ do breake the stone/ and driue it out/ and they also prouoke a man to make water/ and they dryue oute of a womannis bodye/ both her burdin and her floures. Galene graunteth also that Sion is so muche hote/ as it is well smelling/ when it is tasted.

Of Persnepes and Skirwurtes.

Sisarum sativum magnum.

Sisarum sativum minus.



Sisarum sylvestre.



Both Fuchsius & Matthio-
lus set furth two kindes of
Siser, but as they agre in y
seconde kind, which is oure
skir wurt, so they differ much in y for-
mer kinde: for wher as Fuchsius ma-
keth the former kind of siser, to be oure
persnepe, Matthiolus setteth furth in
his figure a kinde of carot, whych he
sayeth is called in Duche/gurlin & ger-
gelim, in frenche cheruc & gyroles, but
his description after wardes, agreeth
not wyth the figure of the herbe y he
painteth for siser, for he describeth siser
thus. Siser habet folia olus. A tre/æ. Si-
ser hath the leaues of Alexander with
a stalke and a shaddow top lyke vn-
to the herbe / called pastinaca, wyth
rootes a span long, hauing wyth in it
a suet wishe pith / somthyng bitter in
taste, and in coloz somthing of saffron
and pleasant vnto the mouth. This de-
scription agreeth with nether of the fi-
gures of Matthiolus that he hath set
furth, and yet he made the description
hym selfe.

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It agreeth not wyth the fyrste kinde/ for it hath not leaues lyke vnto Alexander/ nether any suche lyke leaued herbes/ but it hath leaues lyke vnto a Carot. And it agreeth not wyth the second figure/ for the rootes of the herbe/ that is oure Skyrwurt/ hath not rootes a span longe/ for they are not four inches long. Therefore the description that Mattheolus maketh/ agreeth wyth nether kynde of the herbes/ whyche he setteth in hys pictures.

Pliny lib.xx.cap.v.maketh two kyndes of Siser/and sayeth thus: Siser erraticum satiuo simile est et effectum. That is Siser the wilde is lyke vnto the tame/and also in workynge. And in the xix.boke and fyfte chapter/ he partly describeth Siser thus: Inest longitudine neruus, qui decoctis extrahitur, amaritudinis tamen magna parte relicta: neruus idem & pastinacæ maiori, duntaxat aniculæ. That is/there goeth a synewe or a pythe a longe thoro we the Siser/ whyche after that it is sodden/it is drawen oute / and yet a greate parte of the bitternes abydeh still/ the greater pastinaca hath the same sinewe / but onlye after that it is a yeare olde.

These be Plinyes wordes/whose autorite / if we were bounde to geue credit to/then shoulde nether oure Persnepe/nether anye kynde of oure Carotes be Siser/for I haue diligently fasted both oure persnepe and oure carot rotes/but I can fynde no bitternes at all/ nether in the oute parte of them/nether in the pith or synewe/as Pliny calleth it. I haue also tasted the scirwourte roote / and in it I haue founde verye litle bitternes/ not wythstandynge som/but not so much as Pliny semeth to require/ and whylse I tasted it/I found it heter then bitterer/ but I founde suche propertyes in it/ that I dare reckon surelye/that thys is a kynde of siser.

But as for oure persnepe/ as it can not be siser of Plinye/so knowe I no cause/why that it maye not be siser in Dioscorides/ sayunge that the greate sweetenes maye seme to hinder it/for it that is verye swete / is not wont to prouoke an appetite/but rather to take it awaye.

The vertues of Siser.

The roote of Siser sodden/is pleasant to the mouth / and profitable for the stomack. It doth styre a man to make water / and it ingendzeth an appetite.

Of the herbe called Sison.



Sison whyche is called both of Plinye and diuerse both newe and olde Grecianes / Sison is no otherwyse described of Dioscorides/ but that it hath sede lyke persely/ longe and hote in taste/ and that it hath as it were litle cornes in the top. I fynde no herbe in any place that ever I haue ben in/so well agreynge vnto thys short description/as the herbe whyche som haue abused for Amomo/

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and is

Of the herbe called Sison.



and is called of som black perselye. It groweth aboute hedges and laynes
wyth leaues lyke a persnep/a pretty longe swete roote/ somthyng warme
in taste/and black sede/whyche in dede is warm/but not berpe hote/ wher-
fore I dare not saye/ that the herbe is the righte sison/ or ellis I durst haue
ben bolde to haue pronounced that it had ben the ryght sison / but it may be
a kinde of it.

The vertues of Sison.

It is good to be dronken agaynste the diseases of the milke/for
them that can not well make water/and for weomen that want
theyr naturall siknes. The inhabiteurs of Syria where as it gro-
weth / vse it for a sauce/ receyuinge it wyth a sodden gourd and
blinagre.

Of the kindes of Sifimbrium.

Dioscorides maketh two kindes of sifimbrium/ whereof one gro-
weth on the lande / and the other in the water. The fyrste kinde
whyche groweth in the lande / is named of som as Dioscorides
writeth

Of the kindes of Sifimbrium.

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Wyteth serpillum sylvestre/and it groweth in lande/that is not plowed or digged. It is lyke vnto minte of the gardine/but it hath broder leaues and better smellng. Dioscorides in the description of menthe sylvestris/ or menthastri/maketh it to haue leaues greater then sifimbrium. Of thys description of Dioscorides/a man maye gather that sifimbrium is lyke vnto penny ryall/ether both in leafe/and the maner of crepyng/ and growynge / or at the least in crepyng/and that it muste haue greater leaues then gardine minte/and lesser leaues then the wilde minte / called mentastrium. Matthiolus in hys later edition sayeth / that sifimbrium is called in Duche Bachmuntz/or wasser muntz/ whyrche can not agree wyth the description that he wyteth thus ouer hys sifimbrium hortense. For howe can wasser muntz/that is water mint/or bachmuntz/that is brook minte / be gardine sifimbrium.

Howe also can sifimbrium be called well hortense / seynge that Dioscorides wyteth that it groweth in places vnto manered or plowed / or vnto trimmed/when as gardines are manered and digged. Therefore I doute whether Matthiolus knoweth the ryght sifimbrium or no. I take sifimbrium for a kinde of mint/that is called in English baum mynte/ whether it grow in the felde/or be broughte into the gardine/it is of a middel bignes betwene hysle minte/and fyne gardin minte.

The seconde kynde of sifimbrium is called cardamine also / in English water cresses/in Duche brun kressen/or wasser kressen/in frenche cresson.

The water cresse is a water herbe/and groweth in the same places that sion or water perelye groweth in. It is called cardamine/because it resemblith cardamum/that is gardin cresses in taste. It hath leaues fyrst round/ but after they be growen furth/they are indented lyke the leaues of rocket.

The vertues of both the herbes called Sifimbria.

The seide of the herbe called sifimbrium primum in Latin / and in English baum mint:if it be dronken wyth wyne/it is good for the dropping out of the water/and it is good also for the stone/it stancheth also the gnatwyng or wozing in the bellye / and the hichcock/ other wayes called the yskinge. The leaues are good to be layed to the temples and forehead/ for the head ache:they are also good for the stynge of waspes and bees. If it be dronken/it stoppeth perbreakynge. This herbe is of an hote nature/euen hote and drye in the second degre / whyle it is grene/hote and drye in the thyrde degre: when it is dyled / and in the same degre is the former sifimbrium.

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*Sifimbrium
Mint & Mustard*

Of the puls called *Smilax hortensis*, and in English *Kidney beane*.

Smilax hortensis.



Smilax of the garden / whose fruytes are called lobias that is coddies or huskes or shales / is called *Sperage*. It hath leaues lyke vnto *Buy* / but softer and smaller stalkes / and claspers wounden in bushes / whereunto they are set / whych increase to that greatnes / that they make arbores and thynges lyke tentes. It hath a fruyte lyke *Fenegreke* / but longer and more notable / where in are redisse.

The vertues of Kidney beanes.



The fruyt is sodden wpyth the sede / and it is eaten after the maner of a wurt or eatable herbe / as *Sperage* is eaten / it maketh a man make water and causeth heuy dreames.

Of

Of the sharp Smilax.

Smilax aspera.



*Samus com.
is that it.
prickly Bounded.*



The sharpe smilax hath leaues lyke vnto wodbinde/and many smal braunches/full of prickes/ lyke vnto paliurus or the bramble. It windeth it self aboute trees/crepinge by and doune. It beareth a fruyt full of berryes/as a little cluster/growyng out of the top of the smal braunches/whych is rede/when it is rypp/and biteth a litle in tast. It hath an harde roote and thyck. It groweth in marshes and in rough groundes.

The vertues of the sharp Smilax.

The leafe and fruyte of thys/are a preseruatiue or triacle agaynst dedlye poysones/whether they be taken before or after. Som write that if anye man geue a litle of these broken into powder vnto a newe borne chylde/that he shall neuer after be hurt wyth anye deadlye poyson. It is also put in to preseruatiue medicines to helpe agaynst deadly poysones.

Of the smooth Smilax or great arbor wynde.

The

Of the sharp Smilax.

The smoth similar/whych maye be called in English Arboz winde / or great winde/or withwinde/hath leaues lyke to Iuy/ but softer and smother/and thynner / and longe braunches/ as the rough similar/ whych are wythout prickes. Thys doth also wind it self aboute trees as the other. It hath a fruyte lyke a Lupine / black and litle. It hath aboue manye whyte floures/and rounde thozowe oute all the braunches:and there of are made arbores or summer houses. But in Autumne/the leaues fall of: Thus far Dioscorides. As for the sharpe similar/ I haue sene it diuerse tymes/ and I am sure the description of Dioscorides agreeth well wyth it: hetherto haue I founde no herbe/wherewyth the hole description of similar leuis doth agre. For allthough the greate wynde wyth the great bell floure be in all other partes agreynge wyth the description of Dioscorides: yet the fruyt agreeth not/ for it is not lyke vnto the fruyte of Alupine. Aletius also in the healinge of a dropsey/ sayeth that the similar / whych groweth in the hedges by the water syde/ bringeth furth coddas as the kidney beane doth / called gardin similar. But I neuer sawe anye kinde of wynde/ or wyth winde/ or arboz winde/ haue anye suche cod/wherefore I must confesse/ that I neuer sawe the rygt herbe/ whych is called similar leuis. The herbe that Matthiolus setteth furth in hys figure for similar leuis/ hath nether a sede lyke Lupine/ nor yet coddas lyke vnto the puls/ called similar hortensis: wherefore it can not be similar leuis in my iudgement / excepte that there be other kindes of Lupine/ then euer I haue sene/ and other kindes of coddas or huskes of the gardin similar/ then haue cummed to my syght. The herbe that Matthiolus setteth furth for similar leuis/ is in my iudgement the fyrste kinde of Volubilis in Helie/ where of he writeth thus:

There is one great kinde of wynd or wythwinde/ whych hath mylke in it/ and is called in Latin funis arborum/ that is the rope of trees/ it hath a whyte floure lyke vnto a bell. Dioscorides taketh it for a temporat herbe/ or ellis a litle hotter/ then temporate/ and to be dyed in the second degre. It resolueith/ rypeth/ scoureth/ louseth and openeth the mouth of the vesselles of the baynes/ and therefore it is geuen wyth tragagant/ mastick/ spicknard/ and whaye/ it deliuereth men from the stoppynge of the liuer and the baynes/ that goeth betwene the liuer and the guttes / and therefore it healeth iaundes wyth the iuyce of persely/ and sicorpe or whaye/ it purgeth gently burnt choler / and therefore it helpeth rotten agues/ and speciall ye suche as are longe cholerick agues/ it scoureth also awaye the excrementes and outcastes of the brestes and louniges/ and therefore it is good for them that are shortwinded.

Of Nighte shad.



Nighte shad or Petemorell is called in Greke Strichnos/ in Latin Solanum/ in Barbarus latin Solatrū/ in Duche Nacht schad/ in Frenche Nozelle. Night shad is a bushy herbe/ whych is vled to be eaten/ it is not very great/ it hath many holes lyke vnto Arne holes at the setting on of the braunches and the stalk.

It hath

Of Nyghte shad.

Solanum somniferum.

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Atropa belladonna

It hath black leaues and greater then basil/ and broder: it hath a rounde grene berrye / the berrye is ether black or rede / when it is rype/ the herbe hath a gentle taste wythout hurt.

The vertues of Nyghte shad.

The nature of it is to coole/ wherfore the leaues layd to wyth perched barley mele/ is good for saint Antonies fyre/ that is a colerick inflammation: and it is good against tetters. If the leaues be layd to by them selues / they are good to heale the inflammation in the corner of the eye/ called Egelopa/ whyche is disposed to brede a fistula / and also the head ache: they are also good for an hote or boylinge stomack. They dryue awaye the hote impostume behynde the eare/ called Parotis / if they be broken and layd to wyth salt. The iuice is also good for the hote inflammation/ and tetters and such lyke rinnyng sores or hote scurf or scabbes/ if it be layd to wyth whyte lede rose oyle and litarge/ and wyth bread/ it healeth the disease of the eye/ called Egelopa. It is good for children that haue the burning in the head/ and for the inflammation of the brayn/ and fylmes and skimmes that go about it.

If it

Of Alkakinge or winter chirres.

If it be poured wth rose oyle vpon ones head/it is mended wth ey medi-
cines in stede of water or of an egge/whyche are layd to agaynst sharpe Ro-
wynges of the eyes. If it be poured in/it is good for the ache of the eares: if
it be layd to wth wool/it stoppeth the isshue that weomen haue.

Of Alkakinge or winter chirres.

Halicacabum vulgare.



Here is an other kind of Solanum / called Halicacabus
and Phissalis/it hath leaues lyke vnto nyghtshade/but
yet broder. When hys stalkes are fully growen/ they bo-
we to the ground: it hath the fruyte in litle sede vesselles
lyke vnto bladders round and rede lyke golde/and also
smouth lyke a grape or wynnberry/ whyche the garlande
makers vse in making of garlandes.

The vertues of Alkakinge.

It hath the same vertue that gardin nyghtshad hath / but that it is not
to be eaten/the fruyte of it dronken/healethe the iaundes/and prouoketh wa-
ter.

ter. The iuice of both the herbes called Solanum/ is vsed to be pressed furth/ and when it is dried/ it is set by in the shadowe/ and when it is dressed after this maner/ it is good for all these purposes aboue named.

Of the kindes of Sorbus.

Sorbum ouatum.



Dioscorides maketh mention but of one kind of Sorbus/ Theophrast writeth of two of the male and female / but Pliny maketh mention of iiii. kindes/ wherof I haue sene iij. kindes/ but one kinde I confesse that I neuer saw vnto my remembrance. The two fyrste kindes whiche I knowe/ haue leaues so lyke as can be/ set wyng wyse as the ashe leaues grow/ indented/ but they differ in y fruit.

The former of them hath rede berrys lyke corall bedes/ growyng in greate clusters/ whych the byrdes eat in the beginning of winter/ the tre groweth in moyst woddess/ and it is called in Northumlande/ a rowne tre/ or a whicken tre/ in the South partes of England/ a quick beame tre.]

The seconde kinde hath a fruyt of the bignes of a small crabbe or a wild

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Pyrus aucuparia

Of the kindes of Sorbus.

*Gemma Sorb.
S. forminalis*

peare a litle longer then a crab but not full of the fashion of a pear. This tre groweth very plenteously in hygh Alman/where as the fruit is called sorbere or sorbeyffel and spierlin: it may be called in English sorb appel.

The thyrde kinde which is called of Pliny sorbus forminalis hath a lefe much lyke vnto a playn tre leafe. Thys tre is called in English a serupse tre/ as though a man wold say a sorbus tre. The fruyte is almost as small as are haw/ in coloꝝ broun/ in taste bindisig/ as the other two kindes are. And thys kinde euen as the sorb appel is verpe pleasant to be eaten vntill it be rotten/ but then it is very pleasant/ but not so pleasant by a greate deale as the sorb appel is.

The vertues of the thre kindes of Sorbus.

The sorb appels beyng yelow in colour before they be full rype/ if they be cut in peces / and dyed in the sonne/ if they be then eaten/ they will stop the belly. Also the pouder of them/ after they be beten or ground/ if it be taken in the stede of perched barley mele / and taken in/ and the bꝛoth of them doth the same.

Of the herbe called Sparganium.



Sparganium hath leaues lyke vnto the herbe whyche is called in Latin gladiolus/ and in Greke riphion/ and that is small after the maner of a small sege or theregrasse/ called in Latin carer: but the leaues are yet narrower/ then the leaues of it that is called gladiolus/ and moze bowynge: in the top of the stalk are rounde knoppes lyke bedes/ where in is sede. Thys herbe groweth most commonly in waters and fennes/ the knoppes are full of litle tuftes/ Thys herbe is comon in England and in many places of Germany/ but I neuer heard anye Duche nor English name of it: but vntill we can happen vpon a better name/ it maye be called bede sedge or knop sedge.

The vertues of Sparganium.

The roote is good to be geuen wyth wyne agaynste the payson of serpentes.

Of French or Spanish brome.



Spartium is called in Greke spartion/ in English/ Spanish brome or frenche brome: that spartium is not ginista of the Latines/ I haue sufficiently proued before intreating of the brome bushe.

The description of Spanish brome.



Spartium is a bushe / hauinge longe twigges withoute leaues sounde/ very tough / and som binde byndes wyth them. It beareth coddies lyke vnto phaeles/ wher in are sedes lyke vnto lentilles. It hath a floure lyke vnto wall gelouer/ called of som Hartis ease. This bushe groweth in diuerse gardines in England/ & in Spayn/ and Italy/



wylde. It groweth in my Lorde Cobhammes gardin at Cobham hall/ and also at Shene in the gardine. It hath leues in dede/ but so small that I suppose that Dioscorides toke them for no leaves/ because they were so litle and fewe/ that they deserved not the name of leaves/ or ellis Dioscorides looked vpon the braunches/ whych at that tyme had no leaves. And that thys is lyke to haue bene so the affirminge of Dioscorides/ that Dictamnus of Candy had no floures nor sede/ may bring credit vnto my gessinge. For it is well knowen/ that it hath bothe floures and sedes/ thoughe Dioscorides neuer sawe them.

The vertues of Spanish brome.

The sede and floures of the Spanish brome are good to be dronken wyth mede in the quantite of two scruples and an halfe / to purge strongly/ but wythout iopardye bywarde: but the sede purgeth downward. If the twiggges be stepe in water/ and y iuyce be pressed out/ after they be well brused/ a ciat of it will heale y diseases of the sciatica & y squynantie or chokes/ if it be dronken fasting/ som vse to stepe the in hyne / and poure them in by a clister/ to them that haue the sciatica/ by this meanes it driueth furth blodye matter and full of stringes or ragged peces.

Of the herbe called Spartum or Sparta
Spartum.



Et side the bushe that is called in French brome, whych is called spartum. There is an herbe also called spartum/and of som writers sparta/as in thys proverbe: Spartam nactus es, hanc adorna. for Pliny in the xix. boke and second chap. maketh mention in these wordes folowynge of the herbe spartum or sparta: Herba & hic sponte nascens, & quæ non queat feri, iuncus quod propriè aridi soli: vni terræ dato vitio, nanque id malum telluris est: nec aliud ibi feri aut nasci potest, &c. And a litle after/in sicco præferunt è cannabi funes, spartum alitur

demersum, veluti natalium sitim pensans, &c. And a litle after: Iunco Græcos ad funes vsos nomini credamus, quo herbam eam appellant, postea palmarum folijs, phisuraque manifestum est: & inde translatus à pœnis, perq; simile veri est. Thus farre Plinye. Out of these wordes I gather that the herbe that he writeth of, is a kind of sea bente, or sea rishe/whereof the frayles are made, that figges and calines are caried hether in out of Spayne. The same bent or sea rishe haue I sene in Northumberland/beside Ceton Dalauale/ & ther they make hattes of it. I haue also sene it in great plenty in ii. ylandes of Gaste Freslande/whereof the one is called the iust / and the other moordenie: there men vse thys rishe only

What is this
bent?

Of the herbe called Spondilion.

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onelye for to make ropes of it (as Pliny writeth) and to couer houses wyth it. It may be named in Englishe Sea bent/or sea rishe/or frayl rishe. I haue not rede in anye good autoꝝ that it hath anye vertue to heale anye diseale.

Of the herbe called Spondilion.

Spondilium.



Heracleum Sphondyli



Spondilion is named in Greke Sphondilion/in Duch Berē klaw or wild Pasteney / it maye be called in Englishe Row persnepe or middow persnepe [It groweth in moyst middowes/ & about hedges sydes/ but not in the hedges.]

The description of Spondilium out of Dioscorides.



Spondilium hath leaues after a maner lyke vnto a playn tre leaues/ Drawyng very vnto the lykenes of the leaues of Donax. The stalke is a cubit long or longer lyke vnto fenels stalke: it hath sede lyke vnto sileli/ duple/ broder/ whyter/ & fuller of chaff/ of a stronge or greuous smell. It hath a roote lyke a radice/ it groweth in merrish and watery groundes.

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The vertues of Spondilium.

The sede of colwe persnep Dronken/ scoureth oute flegmatike mater thow the belly and guttes. It healeth also them that are diseased in the liuer/ the iaudes/ them that are shortwinded/ the falling siknes/ & the strangle of the mother. If a man that is fallen in to depe a slepe/ receyue þ per- fume of it/ it wil waken him agayne. If a mannis head be anoynted wyth the oyle whereun it is sodden/ it will help them that haue the phrenesye/ the drowsey or forgetfull euell/ and the heade ache. If it be layed to wyth rue/ it holdeth and stayeth creping sores and tetteres. The root also is good for the disease of the lyuer/ and for the iaudes. The same shauen/ and put in / washeth away the hardnes of fistules o. false woundes. The iuyce of the stemes beyunge grene / is good for mattery eares. Thys iuyce maye be dyed in the sonne/ and layd by as other iuyces be.

Of certayn kindes of thistles.



Spina in Latin/ is properly called a thistel/ and in Greke Acantha. Howbeit is called vnproperly after a metaphoricall maner/ spina is taken for a prick/ because thistles or spine/ are most full of prickes. First that acantha signifieth a thystell/ and not an hawthorn/ or a thorne wythout anye addition/ as the most part of schoolmaysters and translatours Englishe it: I am able to proue/ not only by good Greke authours/ but also by the best Latin wyrters/ that acantha in Greke signifieth a thystell/ it maye be proued by the autorite of Aristotel in the viij. boke of the history of liuing and sensible substances/ and in the thyrde chapter/ who wyrteth these wordes:

τα δὲ βλάκων ἀκανθοφάγα, ἀκανθὶς θραυπὶς, ἢ καλόμεν χυγμαῖς: τὰτα γὰρ πάντα τὰ τῶν ἀκανθῶν ἐμέτα. That is to saye/ these are spiniuora/ that is thistel eaters/ and vnder the name of the thystell/ he vnderstandeth the sede of a thistel/ as whē we saye/ a man eateth moze wheat then rye/ we meane nether the blade of wheat/ nether the straw nor chaff/ but onely the sede of wheate. If acantha ought to be Englisshed a thorn or an hawthorne/ let vs se which byrdes they be/ that Aristotel calleth acanthophagas/ and as diuerse interpretours Englishe them thorn eaters. Aristotell sayeth that Linetes and Goldfinches/ and Grene finches/ are acanthophage: who euer sawe any of these thre kindes of byrdes eat thornes/ or the fruytes of thornes? Therefore I maye saye vnto them/ that Englishe acantham and spinam/ a thorn or an haw/ whych is the fruyt of a whyte thorn. Erratis philosophiam & plantarum historiam ignorant. For belyde this place now alledged: Dioscorides in the chapter wher as he intreateth of the tre called Rododendron/ wyrteth thus: Merion byngeth furth a fruyte lyke an Almonde/ as it were a certayn home/ when as it is opened/ it is full of a wolly nature/ lyke vnto the down of thistles. The Greke hath παντοῖς ἀκανθίβοις. Who heard euer tell/ that anye thorn tre/ had any down or anye wollye nature/ lyke vnto the downe of a thistel? Plinye also writynge of the herbe called Erigeron/ whyche we call in Englishe Groundsell/ sayth thus: The head of Grounsell is diuersely diuided wyth a down/ qualis est spina. What is spina here? an hawthorne or a thystel? when haue ye sene the thorne tre haue any down? by these places it is playne that acantha in Greke/ and spina in Latin signifye a thistel/ and no thorn/ as our school:

schoolmaisters & translatours vse to English it now a dayes. The same word acantha doth S. Luke vse in the parable of the sower in the viii. chapt. & all the translatours turn acantham spinam/ but the translatours of the Latin in to English/ not wythout a great erroz/ turn spinam into a thorn/ whē as spina betokeneth not a thorne/ but a thistel. For Luke writeth thus: Aliud cecidit super spinas, & simul enata spinæ, suffocauit illud. And som fell vpon: what? the thornes/ or vpon the thistelled sede? and wared or grew by with it / and chouked it. Who vseth to sow vpon thornes/ whether thornes signifye thorn trees/ or the sede or fruit of the thorne tre? Who dare saye that a thorne tre in one year can growe so hyghe/ that it maye be able to choke the corne? Is a thorne able to grow wyth the corne/ as Luke sayeth/ so hygh in one year? I trow nay. Therefore let men learne to Englishe acantham or spinam a thistel/ when as there is nothyng put to them.

Of two other kindes of thystelles.

I Dioscorides writeth of two herbes/ whyche haue lyke names/ but for all that/ differ in description/ and in substance/ the one is called in Greke acantha leuke: and the other is called leucacantha. The former called spina alba/ groweth in Italye/ and in som places of Germany/ & belyde Sion in England. I know no English name for it/ but it may be called in English whyt thistel. The other kind called in Greke leucacantha/ & in latin spina alba/ is supposed to be the herbe/ named of y comō Herbaries Carduus marie/ and in English/ milk thistel or maries thysel.]

The vertues of these two kindes of thystelles.

The whyte thysel called spina alba/ hath a root good for the spitting of blood for them that are diseased in the stomak and guttes. It prouoketh water/ and it is good to be layd to emplaster wyse for swellinges. The broth of it is good to washe the teth wyth/ for the teth ach. The sede of it dronken/ is good for chylder that haue the crampe/ and for the byting of serpentes.

Leucacantha or spina alba/ named in English milkthysel / hath a roote good to be choiced in a mannis mouth for the teth ache/ the broth of it / taken in the quantite of thre ciates wyth wyne/ is good for longe pleuresies/ for them y haue the sciatica/ & for partes y are bursten & shronken together.

Of the hawthorn tre.

The hawthorn tre is called in Greke Oryacantha / in Latin spina acuta/ in Duche Hagen dogne. Many haue iudged that Oryacantha or spina acuta was the berbery tre/ otherwyse called a piridge tre. But Matthiolus hath brought good reasons to proue/ y Oryacantha is our hawthorn/ and not berberies/ and I haue nothyng to saye agaynst his argumētes/ sauīng that Theophrast rekeneth Oryacanthā amōgest the trees/ whose leaues fall not of in winter: oure hawthorn leaues do fall of in winter/ then it semeth y our hawthorn is not oryacantha in Theophrast. If thys were answered to/ then durst I moze boldly pronounce y oure hawthorn were oryacantha. It appeareth by it y is written in Columella y our hawthorn tre whych hath very whyte floures/ & a rede fruyte / whyche swoyne desyre very much to eat/ for he writeth thus: Suibus nemora sunt conuenientissima, quæ vestiuntur quercu, fubere, fago, corylis, pomiferisq; syluestribus, ut sunt albæ spinæ, Græcæ siliquæ, iuniperus, lotus, prunus & achrades pyri.

Of the hawthorn tre.

That is the great woddess are fit for swyne/ whyche are anoynd wyth o-
kes/ corke trees/ beche trees/ and wyld trees/ that bring furth fruytes. wyth
stones in them/ as are spina alba/ that is as I iudge whyte thornes/ Greke
carobes/ the Juniper/ the wilde lote tree/ and the slo tree/ and the wyld
peare tre.

In these wordes I vnderstand vnder the name of spine albe / the haw-
thorn tre/ whych hath a fruyte/ as all men knowe/ verye fit for swyne. And
here is also to be noted/ that there is a wild prunus agaynst som that haue
holden the contrary/ whyche prunus is the slo tre or black thorne tre/ or the
wilde bulles tre.

Of the herbe called Stachys.

Stachys.



Stachys is a litle bushe lyke vnto hore hounde/ but longer. It hath
many leaues rough/ one far from an other/ harde/ hore/ of a plea-
sant smell / and many twigges/ cumminge furth from one roote/
wyther then hore hounde: it groweth in hygh hilles/ and in rough
places. I haue sene one kind of this herbe/ growyng in London in Maister
Richardes

Of the herbe called Stachis.

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Richardes garden but no where ellis in England. The other kynd dyd my frende mayster fauconer shewe me after that he came oute of Italy. Thys laste kinde agreeth better wyth the hardnes of the leafe that Dioscorides speaketh of but it wanteth the smell that the same Dioscorides requireth in Stachi except the age toke away the smell from the herbe that he shewed me. Thys may be called in English long hore hounde / or wilde horehounde.

The vertues of Stachis.

Stachis hath a byting and hote nature by reason whereof the broth of the leaues dronken drawe doune to weomen theyr floures / and dryue oute the secondes.

Of Stauis aker.

Staphis agria.



Staphis agria / is called in Duche Bels munt oder Lauskraut in Englishe / Stauis aker. I neuer sawe it growynge out of Italy but only in gardines.

Stauis

Of Stauis aker.

Stauis akre hath leaues clouen lyke vnto the wilde wynde: it hath litle streyght stalkes/soft and black/and a floure lyke wadde / and a seede in litle grene coddess/or seede vesselles as the cich hath / in figure thresquared & rough/in black somthyng dunne rede/whyte wythin/and sharp in tast.

The vertues of Stauis aker.

If a man geue to any body ten or fyften of the sedes of it in mede/ or honyed water / they will bringe oute grosse matter by vomit. They that haue dronken them / must walke after the takinge of them: and they must take hede/ that they geue oft tymes mede/ because they bringe a man in ieperdy of stranglinge/and burne the throte. The herbe it selfe broken/and layd to wyth oyle/is good for the lousey euel/ agaynst itchyng or yuiking and scabbes. If it be chowed/ it bringeth doune muche waterishe fleme. If it be sodden wyth vinegre/ and the teth be washed therewyth/it is good for the teth ach/and it fasteneth louse gounes. It healeth the hote sores of the mouth wyth hony.

Of the herbe called Stichados of the apothecaries.

Stichas.





Stechas groweth in the ylandes of France ouer against Massilia/whiche are called Stechades/whereby the herbe gat the name. It is an herbe wyth a small braunche/and hath a bushye top lyke vnto thyme/but the leaues are longer/and it is in taste sharp/and somthyng bitter. There are two kindes of Stechados/for there is an other kinde called Stechas arabica/beside it that Dioscorides maketh mention of. It of Arabia is lesse then the

other/and blewet in the floures of the ear or top. The Stichas of Prouince or of the ylandes of France is greater and browner. I haue sene beside these in the mount Appennine an other kinde of Stechas/ which is called in Bonony Stechas montana/it hath small branches all full of litle leaues/amongest the whyche grow oute diuerse very long small leaues/nothing lyke the other. And becaule that all the kindes of Lauander are both lyker in fashon and figure/and also in properties in Stechas/then other vnto spike celtik/or spike of Inde/I had leuer call them pseudo Stichades/and to bring them vnder the kindes of Stichados/then to name them spicas germanicas/or Italicas/as Fuchsius and Matthiolus do/ folowynge rather the rude sorte who hath geuen them that name of spikes/because they haue spicas/that is long spikes or eares. Stichas is named in Greke Stechas or Stichas/and the Latines vse the same names/and the apothecaries call it Stichados. The Stechas that Dioscorides writeth of/ is very plenteous in the toune of Poule/and in diuerse places of the West countrey/where as it is called Cassidonia or spanish lauandar/and about London it is called Frenche lauander.

The vertues of Cassidonia oute of Dioscorides.

The broth of Stichados/as the broth of hysope/is profitable and good for the diseales of the breste. It is also good to be mended wyth triacles & preseruatiues. It deliuereth from stoppage. It maketh syne/scoureth and strengtheneth all the bowelles or inwarde partes/and the hole bodye/and the hole complexion. They that are disposed to know moze of the nature of Stichados/let them rede Mesue de simplicibus/ & ther they shal fynd inough.

Of Comfrey.

Dioscorides maketh two kindes of symphytum/wherof the former kinde is called symphiton petreon/and hereof I intend not to write/because it groweth not in England that I know of. The other kinde is called symphyton alterum/ in Duche swartz wurtzel/in Englishe comfrey/ of the comon herbaries consolida magna. Thys hath a stalke two cubites hygh or hygher/smoth/thicke/full of corners/hollow empty as the stalk of sowthistel is/about the which stalke/are rough leaues (great spaces goyng betwen) narrow/long/and drawyng nere vnto the likenes of winter borrage. The stalke also hath certayn appearinges out of thynne leaues/cleuing about the corners stretched furth from the hollow settinge on of euery leafe. The floures are yelow/the sede is about the stalk as molleu sede is. The hole stalke and leaues haue a litle sharp hoynes/ whych when it is touched/make a man iche or yuke. The rootes are wythoute black/whyte wythin/clammy/and they are also profitable and muche to be vsed.

The

Of Comfrey.
Symphytum.



The rootes are good if they be broken and dronken for them that spitte bloode/ and are bursten. The same layd to/are good to glewe together freshe woundes. They are also good to be layd to inflammaciones/and specially of the fundament wpyth the leaues of groundsell.

Of the Vghe tre.



TArus is called in Greke smilar/ in Duche eibenholtz/ in English Vghe. The Vghe tre is of the bignes of a fyre tre/and hath leaues lyke vnto the same. It groweth in Italy and in Narbone of France/whyche is nexte vnto Spayn. The byrdes that eat the berries of the Italian Vghe/ are made black: and men that eate the same/are cast into a fire. The Vghe of Narbone is so full of poyson/that if any shepe nuder it/or sit vnder the shaddow of it/are hurt/ & ofte tymes dye. Wherefore I haue wrytten these wordes of the Vghe tre/that men should beware of it. Thus far Dioscorides. Virgil also in hys Egloges signifieth

Signifieth that the Ugh tre is full of poyson, wher as he writeth thys verse:

Sic tua cyrneas fugiant examina taxus.

Galene also writeth that the Ugh tre is of a poysoned nature.

Of the Turpentine tre.

Terebinthus is named in Greke Terminthos. I haue not sene the tre in England/ and therfore I haue heard no name of it: but lesse it shuld be without a name/ I call it Turpentine tre/ because Turpentine cometh oute of it. I haue sene both the leaues and berries of turpentine/ whych grow in Italy/ but I haue not sene the tre it selfe.

Because Dioscorides describeth not Terebinthum/ and Theophrast describeth it at large. I will translate vnto you the description of y^e turpentine tre out of Theophrast. Of Turpentine trees one is y^e male/ & an other is y^e female. The male is barun/ of y^e females one bringeth furth fruyte by & by rede of y^e bignes of a lentil/ whych can not be made ripe/ the other bringeth furth a grene one/ & dieth after rede/ & maketh it at the last black/ when as it wareth rype/ wyth y^e grape/ & it is of the bignes of a beane full of rosin/ bymstonny. The tymbre of y^e turpentine tre is tough/ & the rootes are mighty in the ground/ & thys tre is taken hole to be vncorrupt. It hath a floure like vnto y^e oliue tre/ but of a rede color. The leaues are for y^e most parte all about one litle stalke/ lyke vnto bay leaues/ growyng by payres together one agaynst an other/ as the sorbapple tre leaues grow/ & it is in the outermost ende of the payres of leaues/ is od/ but the leaues are not so cornered/ as the sorb tre is/ and in the goyng about/ they are moze lyke vnto the bay tre leafe/ then the sorb tre leafe.

The vertues of the Turpentine tre, and of the Turpentine.

The leaues/ the fruyte/ & the bark of the turpentine tre/ haue a bindinge poure/ & are good for all thinges y^e the mastik tre is good for/ & they are prepared after the same maner/ & are taken after the same maner. Som eat the fruyte/ but it is euell for the stomack/ & maketh a man pisse well/ & heateth/ & doth very much stir a man to the procreation of childer. If it be drunken wth wyne/ it is good for the biting of the feld spider. The rosin or turpentin y^e cometh out of it/ is brought from Arabia Petrea. It groweth also in Jewry/ Cypus/ in Africa & in Ciclad ylandes/ which is better then all the rest/ & is clere/ & thoro wth feable/ whyte/ like a glasse & blewish gray/ well smelling/ and resembling in smell the turpentine tre. Amongest all rosines/ y^e rosin called turpentine/ is principal/ mastick deserueth y^e second place. The rosin of the pyne tre foloweth mastick in goodnes/ after the which folow the rosines of y^e rede firre tre/ & of it y^e is called strobilus: som take strobilus for a tre/ other as Galene/ take it for the pyne apple. But euerye rosin softeneth/ heateth/ poureth abroad/ scoureth/ & is good in electuaries by it selfe/ or wth honye for coughes. It scoureth also away it y^e sticketh in y^e breste. It stereth a man also to make water/ & maketh rype/ & softeneth the belly/ & it is good for lepres/ wyth vert gresse/ coperus/ & naturall salpeter. wth honye and oyle it is good for matter rinninge oute of the eares/ and agaynst the itche of the priuie partes. If it be layd to by it selfe/ it is good for the ache in the syde.

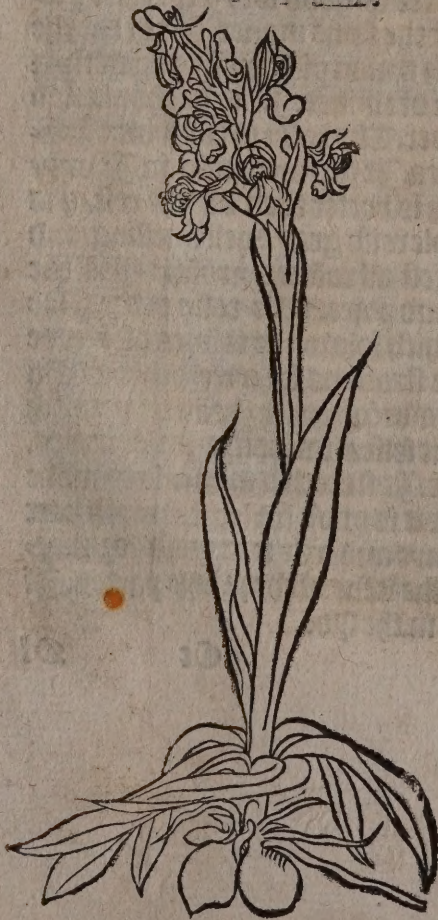
Orchis mas angustifolia.



Orchis foemina angustifolia.



Triorchis mas minor.



Orchis alia species.





Testiculus is called in Greke orchis/cynosorchis: it hath the leaues spredde by the ground/about the stalk and the bottom/much lyke vnto a soft olyue leafe/ but narrower and smother/and longer. The stalk is a span long/ wher in are purple floures/and a knobby root/somewhat lōge/ two growyng together/narrow lyke an oliue berry/the one aboue/and the other beneth/and the one of them is full/and the other soft/and full of wozinkelles.

There are diuers kindes of orchis/which are called in Latin testiculus/ that is a stone. One kinde of them hath many spottes in the leafe/and is called adder grasfe in Northūberland: & other kindes ar in other cōutrees called fox stones or hear stones/ & they may after y Greke be called dogstones.

Adder grasfe

Of the vertues of Adder grasfe.

The roote of it/when it is sodden inough / is eatable as bulbus is/they write of thys herbe/that if the greater roote be eaten of men/it maketh men chyliden/and if the roote be eaten of weomen/it maketh weomen childer. And mozeouer/this is also tolde of it/that the weomen of Thessalia geue it wyth goates milk/to prouoke the pleasure of the body/ whylse it is tender/ but they geue the drye one/to hinder and stop the pleasure of the bodye. And it groweth in stony places and in sandy groundes. There is an other kinde whych is called Serapias/as Andreas sayth for the manyfolde vse of the root/it hath leaues lyke vnto a leke/long/ but broder and fat/ bowynge inward about the setting on of the leaues/and litle stalkes a span hygh/and floures somthyng purple:there is a roote in vnder lyke vnto stones.

The vertue of the second kinde of Testiculus.

Thys layd to/hath the propterte of dryuing awaye swellinge and scouring of sores/and to stay running tetters. It putteth awaye fistules / and if it be layd to/it swageth places that are inflamed & set afyre. Thesame drye/ stoppeth eating sores/and rottē sores/and it healeth the greuous sores that are in the mouth. It stoppeth also the bellye/ if it be drunken wyth wyne. Men geue all the properties vnto thys/ & are geuen vnto the former kindes.

Of triacle mustarde called Thlaspi.

Thlaspi is a litle herbe wyth strapte leaues/a fingre long/turned toward the ground/ aboute the edge iagged/and somthyng fat. It hath a smal stalke/of the hyght of two spannes/whyche hath a few furth growynges:and about the hole/the fruyt is somthyng brode from the top/wherein is sede lyke vnto cresses/of y figure of a disshe or coyte as it were thyrst together/after y turnyng of Cornarius & broken of/wherebpon it hath the name. It hath a floure somthyng whyte / and it groweth in wayes and about hedges/after the translation of Ruellius/whyche is nether the Greke. Thlaspi is named in Latine thlaspium/in Duche bauren senff/it may be named in English triacle mustard/boures mustard / or disshe mustarde. It groweth much in the corne both in England and in Almayn/

Ostriacle mustard called Thlaspi.

Thlaspi.



*Thlaspi
campes.?*

and I haue sene it besyde woymes growyng besyde diches/ and at Ferrano
fort about the walles of the cytie/ in England in mooste plentye aboute Si-
on. In London it groweth in maister Riches garden/ and maister Morgat-
nes also/ and in maister Hambrydges garden in Summerledshyre as I re-
membze.

The vertues of triacle mustard.

The seide of it is sharp/ or biting/ and heateth/ and it purgeth choier by
warde and downwarde/ if it be dronken in the quantite of two unces
and an half. It is also good to be put in by a clister/ for the diseale of the scia-
tica. Taken in drink/ it dryueth also blood/ and it breaketh inwarde imposte-
mes/ and bringeth down to weomen theyr floures/ and it is euell for weome
whyche are wyth chylde.

Cut of Galene.

The Thlaspi that is brought out of Candy/ and groweth there / is be-
twene redish yelow/ and pale yelow/ in figure rounde/ so litle som tyme that
it is lesse then y corne of millet. The Thlaspi y cometh out of Cappadocia/ is
toward

to ward blacknes/ and the fede is not fully rounde/ and it is muche greater then the forenamed is/ and vpon one syde it hath a litle thyng/like as it were a brufange in/ where vpon it hath the name. That is rekened to be the beste groweth in saurot/ and it is nether lyke it that groweth in Candy/ nor it groweth commonly in other places. These wordes hath Galene written of Thlaspi. Matthiolus compleyeth that the thlaspi in Italy hath no indenting about/ but in Englande we haue no suche cause. For it hath litle cuttinges or iaggynge about the edges of the leaues/ and speciallve of them that are next vnto the roote. And as touchyng the fede/ I could neuer fynde it in any place as yet flat/ but euer round and fede/ and it that is written of the breakynge of it/ and of the form of a dishe/ after my iudgement ought rather to be vnderstanded of the fede vesselles/ then of the fede it selfe. For the fede vessel beynge hole/ hath the form of a dishe/ and the same a litle brused/ is broken into two partes as into two halff disshes. Let euery man folowe it that he fyndeth to be moste true/ both by reason and by experience/ in this mater.

Of the Linden tre.

Tilia.



Et iii

Tilia

Of the Linden tre.

Lime
Tilia is named in Greke philyra in Duche ein Linden baume / in English a Lind tre. It groweth very plentifully in Essex in a parke within two mile from Colchester / in the possession of one maister Bogges / it is also very comon in high Germany / & it groweth so far abroad ther / that men set tables aboue in it / whereof som are so long that ten men maye sit well at one table / and yet rounne remaynyng inough for many other besyde the table.

The description of tilia out of Theophrast.

Ther is one kind of tilia that is the male / and an other that is the femal. They differ in tember / & in all the fashion of theyr bodies / because that the one of them beareth fruyt / and the other is barren / & timber of the male is harde and yelow / fuller of knottes and fuller of prickes / the tymber of the female is whyter / the male hath a thicker bark / and when it is drawen of / it is not bowyng by reason of the hardnes. The bark of the female is more whyte and more bowyng / and therof they make cradelles. The bark of the female is better smelling / the male is barren and hath no floures: the female bringeth furth both fruyt and floures. The floure is couered wyth a litle couering. The fruyt is long / rounde of the bygnes of a great pease lyke vnto & berrye of an Juy / diuided into fyne corners as it were synewes / appearinge somthyng furth aboue the rest / drawyng themself into a sharp poynte. The leaues are lyke Juye in figure / sauing that they are round / and haue a sharper ende.

The commodites and properties of the Lynde tre.

The later wyrters hold that the distilled water of the floures of & Lind tre / is good for the growyng and griping of the belly / and for the bloody fluxe / som vse the same agaynst the falling siknes. The coles of the Linde tre beaten into pouder / & manged wyth the pouder of the eyes of creuelles / dissolue clotted blood / and are good for them that are brused wyth a fall. The middle or inner bark layd in stepe in water / hath a slympe moysture / whych is knowen by experience to be good agaynst all kindes of burnyng: ther is no cole of any tre that serueth better to make gun powder of / then the coles of the Linde tre.

Of the kindes of Tithymales or kindes of Spourges.

Dioscorides maketh vij. kindes of Tithymales or Spourges. The fyrst is the male called Chariacias / of other Comeles / of other Cobius or Amigdeloides. The stalkes of thys excede a cubit in hyght / in coloz rede / full of bitinge and whyte iuyce. The leaues are about the twigges like vnto oliue leaues / but longer and narrower. The roote is thych and woddye. In the toppes of the stalkes there is a thych bushy thyng lyke vnto small twigges / and vnder them are holwe

to we places lyke vnto bashnes/ and there in is sede. It groweth in roughe places and in mountaynes. [Thys kinde haue I sene in diuerse places of England. fyrst in Suffock in my lorde Wentfurthis parte besyde Mettelstede/ afterward in Sion parke/ aboute London/ it maye be called woode spourge.]

The seconde kinde is the female/ and is called myrtites/ and it hath leaues lyke a myrtel tre/ but greater and sounde/ at the poynte sharp and pyckye/ it bringeth furth long bzauiches a span longe. It bringeth furth euerye other year a fruyte lyke a nut that gently biteth the tonge. Thys groweth also in sharp places. Thys kynde haue I neuer sene growynge oute of gardines. I knowe no English name for it/ but it may be called myrtel spourge.

The thyrde kynde is called Paralius/ and it groweth aboute the sea syde as Dioscorides writeth/ but I haue sene the same not onlye in the West countre besyde the sea syde/ but also in Germany about the RENE syde/ in very great plenty. Dioscorides also writeth that it hath boughes a span hight/ somthing redish/ v. or vi. from the root/ about y which ar narrow lōg leaues standinge in ordze like vnto the leaues of flax/ the head is round in the top/

Tithymalus Helioscopius.



L. helioscop. 2.

Of the kindes of Tithymales or kindes of Spourges.

where in is seide lyke Orobis or a bitter fische/ of diuerse colozes. It hath whyte fioures. But the hole bushe and the roote/ is full of whyte myce.

Thys kind in dede hath leaues lyke flaxe/ but they are much broder and longer/ and growe thpycker together vpon the braunches. I knowe no English name that this hath/ but vntill we get a better / it maye be called ether sea spourge/ or flax spourge.

The fourth is called Helioscopius. It hath leaues lyke vnto portellayne/ but thinner/ and rounder. It bringeth furth from the roote iiii. or v. braunches/ small/ a span hygh/ reade/ full of much whyte licoze. The top is lyke vnto dyll/ and the seide is as it were in litle heades/ the ouermost busshy top of it/ is turned about/ wpyth the turnyng of the sonne: where vpon it is called Helioscopius/ that is sonturner. It groweth most comonly in olde walles/ and fallen downwalles/ and about cities. This kinde is called in diuerse partes of England wartwurt: it maye also be called son spourge/ or son folowynge spourge. It groweth mucche in the grounde/ where as flaxe hath growen/ shortly after that it is pulled by.

Cyparissias.



The fyft is called Cyparissias/ and it hath a stalk a span long or longer/ somthyng redish/ out of the whych grow leaues lyke vnto the pyne tre / but tenderer

tenderer and smaller/and to be short/it is lyke a yong pyne tre/lately sprong
bp/where vpon it hath the name:thys hath also very much whyte iuyce.

Thys kinde groweth much in the stuble after the corne is caried in/it is
so lyke Chamepitis/that if a man take not hede/he maye be easely deceyued
in taking the one for the other. I haue her herto learned no English name of
thys herbe/ but it maye for lack of a better name be called/pyne spourge.

The first is called Dendroides/it groweth in rockes/ aboue it is very lar
ge/and full of busshy leaues full of iuyce. It hath braunches somthyng rede/
about the whych are leaues lyke vnto a smal myrtel.

S. amygdaloides

The sede is lyke the sede of wode spourge. I neuer sawe thys kinde that
I remembre of.

Tithymalus Platyphyllos.



The seuenth kynde is called Platyphyllos/and it is lyke vnto mullen/I
remembre not that euer I sawe thys kinde.

Ths

Of the kindes of Spourges.

The vertues of the kindes of Spourges.

The fyrste hath a iuyce whych hath the nature to purge the belly by neth driving out fleme and coler/taken in the quantite of a scruple wyth vinegre and water. But if it be taken wyth mede/it prouoketh vomite. It taketh away wartes that are lyke vnto pismires/and hanging wartes/ and great thych ones/lyke the heades of tyme and scurfines. If it be layd to/ it is also good for aguayles and carbuncles and fretting sores and fistels. The fede is gathered in Autumne/and dried in the son/and lightly brused/ clenched/ and it is layd by clean. The fede and the leaues do the same/that the iuyce doth/ if they be taken in the measure of an half acceptable. The rote cast into mede in the quantite of a dram/and dronken/driueth furth by the belly.

The seconde kinde hath lyke vertue wyth the former kinde/ but that the former kinde is stronger in prouoking of vomit.

The thyrde kinde is of lyke vertue wyth the former kindes.

The fourth is of the same nature wyth the former/ but not so strong.

The fyft kinde and the sixt kinde is lyke the reste: and the seuench kinde killeth fishe/as all the other kindes do.

Of Thyme.



Thyme as Dioscorides sayeth is a litle bushe ful of bzaunches/ compassed round about wyth narrow leaues/ and in the top it hath litle heades wyth floures/ resemblinge a purple coloz. It groweth mozte in rocky groundes/ and in leane or bare places.

Although Dioscorides maketh here mention but of one kinde of thyme/ yet writing of epithymum/ he semeth to make two kindes of thyme/ where he sayeth that epithymum is the floure of an harder thyme lyke vnto sauerey. And Pliny maketh mention of two kindes of thyme/ wherof the one is black/ and the other whyte. And we se that the thyme that cummeth from Uenis and from Candy/ is of an other kind then it that we haue growyng in England. Thyme is called in Greke thyme/ in Latin thymus/ in Duch thymian/ or welsh quendell.

The vertues of Thyme.

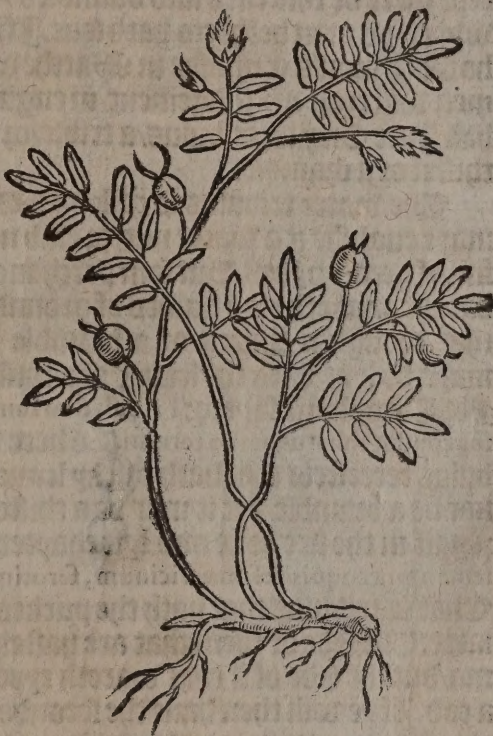
Thyme hath the poure to driue furth fleme thro the belly/ if it be taken wyth vinegre and salt in a drinke. The broth of it wyth hony helpeth them that are shortwinded/ and it bringeth oute wormes/ and both floures and the secondes/ and the chylde also at conueniente tyme receyued/ it prouoketh water also. But if it be menged wyth honye and licked in/ it maketh good auoyding oute of a mannis brest. If it be put into an emplaster/ it driueth away newe swellinges. It louseth in peces the lumpes of brused blood if it be taken wyth vinegre. It taketh away hanginge wartes/ and those that are called thymi/ of the lykenes that they haue wyth the toppes of thyme. It is good for them that haue the sciatica/ layd to wyth wyne and perched

ched barley mele. The same taken wyth meat / is good for eyes that are dull of syghte. And in the tyme of health / it is good for a sauce or a seasoner of meat. Thyme is hote in the thyrde degre.

Of the herbes called Tribuli.

Tribulus aquaticus.

Tribulus terrestris.



Here are two kindes of herbes that haue the name of Tribulus: the one that groweth vpon the lande / and the other in the water or vpon the water.

The fyrst kinde is called in Greke Tribolos chersea: this kinde as Dioscorides describeth it / hath leaues lyke vnto porcellayne / but smaller / and litle braunches sprede vpon the grounde / and in them are very tarte (meaning peraduenture by tart sharp) also prickes and harde. It groweth besyde waters and aboute olde houses and wayes.

The second kinde groweth in waters / wyth the top growynge aboue the water / but it hydeth the pycke: the leaues are brode / and they haue a lōg footstalk. The stalk is great in the ouer part and small beneth. It hath litle casselles lyke heares growynge vp in the lykenes of eares. The fruit is hard as the other is.

The

Of the herbes called Tribuli.

The former kinde groweth in Italy aboute Bonony in plentye/where as I haue sene it. And in dede the leaues are moze lyke the leaues of ciches as Theophrast describeth Tribulus/then vnto the leaues of porcellayn/ but they haue som lykenes vnto the yong leaues of porcellayn. Nowe when as the one sayeth that Tribulus hath leaues lyke vnto porcellayne/and the other leaues lyke vnto a ciche/they erre verpe soze/ that ether Englishe tribulus/a thistel oz a bzamble/seynge that nether the leafe of a thistel noz of a bzamble/is lyke vnto the leafe of a ciche oz the leafe of porcellayne. And as for the second kinde of Tribulus/nether can it be a bzamble noz a thistel/except there be thistelles and bzambles/ that growe in and aboue the water/whych no man hetherto hath sene. If anye man woulde knowe oz aske me/ howe I woulde Englishe in Matthewes gospell thys worde Tribulus: If men will trust my iudgement/ in englisshing of thys worde/ I aunswere/ I had leuer Englishe tribulus/a tribble/oz a ciche thistel/then englishe it ether a thistel oz a bzamble.

The water tribulus is called in Duche Wasser nuss: and therefore we maye englishe it a water nut/oz club nut/because the fruyt of it is lyke a club full of greate pykes. But som perchance will saye that Theophrast an older autour/maketh two kinde of grounde tribulus/ and therefore it is possible that though a thistel oz a bzamble haue not a leafe lyke vnto ciche/yet it maye be lyke vnto the leaues of a thistel/and so maye tribulus be a thistel. For Theophrast sayeth:Tribuli duo sunt genera,vnus folio exit ciceris, alter spinosus constat foliatus,ambo terreni. Lo here Theophrast maketh one kinde of tribulus terrestris that hath prickly leaues:therefore tribulus although it can not be a bzamble/yet it may be a thistel. To thys I aunswere/ that Theophrast in the sixt boke and tyft chapter writeth:Serius germinat qui spinosus est, semen praeoquis sesame vicinum, serotini rotundum nigricans septum in filiqua. That is tribulus that hath the prickles in the leaues doth spruit oz bud oute later. The sede of them that are hastily rype/is lyke vnto the sede of Sesama/but the sede of it that wareth rype late/is rounde/blackishe/closed vp in a cod. If ye will then haue the seconde kinde of tribuli terrestris of Theophrast to be a thistel oz a bzamble/ye must shewe som thistel oz bzamble that hath round sede in a cod/oz ellis I must thynke that ye erre very much that Englishe tribulum ether a thistel oz a bzamble.

The vertues of the two kinde of Tribulus.



They are both bindinge/and do coole/and are good to be made playsters of/for anye kinde of inflammation/with hony they heale the hote sores of the mouth/the sore kyndelles about the rootes of the tong/and all rotting in the mouth/and the sore gournes. There is also pressed out of them a iuyce for eye medicines. The greene fruyte of the dronken/is good for the stone:a dram of it of the lande dronken/and layd to/is good for them that are bitten of a viper oz adder. It is also good agaynste popsoned drinckes/ if it be dronken wyth wyne. The booth of it sprinkled vpon the grounde/killeth flees. There is an yron toytb
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Of Englishe Maydens heare.

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four pykes called as I remembre a calltrop that is also named tribulus / of the lykenes that it hath wpyth the fruyt of tribulus. This instrument is casten in the way to hinder the enemies that folow flyers very soze / it is called in Latin *Puter.*

Of Englishe Maydens heare.

Trichomanes.



Trichomanes groweth in the same places that *Adiantum* / or right *Lumbardy maydens heat* groweth. It is lyke vnto a *Ferne* / very litle in quantite / and it hath smal leaues of eche syde growyng in order: in figure lyke vnto the leaues of a *Lentill* / one agaynst an other vpon small twigges shyninge tarte / and somthyng blackishe. This herbe is called of the *Grecianes* and *Latines* both *Trichomanes* / and of som *Grecianes* also *Calliphyllon* / and of other *Politrichon* / and of som *Cellitrichon*: the comon herbaries call it *capillum veneris* / whiche name is more agreynge wpyth the ryghte *Adiantho*. It is called in *Dutch* *widertod* / and *Venus hare* / in *Englishe* we call it *Maydens heare* or *Englishe maydens heare*.

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Of Englishe Maydens heare.

The vertues of Maydens heare.



Dioscorides writeth that Trichomanes (that is our English Maydens heare) is supposed to haue the same vertue that the Lombardy Maydens heare hath/ therefore turne to the herbe called Adiantum or Lombardye Venus heare or maydens heare/ and there ye shall fynd the vertues of it at large. Pliny writeth that the broth of our maydens heare dronken wyth wyne / and a litle wilde Cumin/ healeth the Strangurie. The iuice stayeth the heare that falleth of/ and if they be fallen of/ it restoreth them agayne.

Of the herbe called Trifolium.

Trifolium odoratum.

Trifolium pratense purpureum.



Trifolium is named also triphillon/oryttriphillon/menyanthes and cuicion. It is a bushye herbe/ and hath small twigges/ black lyke rishes/ wherein are leaues lyke vnto the lote tre (whiche I Englishe/ a nettel tre) in euerye furth buddinge thre. The smell of them when they come fyrste furth/ is lyke vnto rue/ but when as they are full

Of the herbe called Trifolium.

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Trifolium pratense album.

Trifolium luteum.



are full grown they smell of earth piche / called in Latin bitumen. It bringeth furth a purple floure / a sede somthyng brode / and a litle rough / hauinge as it were on the one syde a litle cop. The roote is small longe and stronge. The fyrst that euer I sawe of thys kinde / grewe in Doctor Gesnerus garden in Zurich. But afterwarde I haue sene it oft in myne owne gardines / and of late in maister Riches garden in London. It maye be named in English Trifolye gentle / or smelling clauer / or triacle clauer / or clauer gentle / or piche trifoly.

There is a common trifoly or clauer that groweth in myddoes / somtyme wyth a whyte floure / and somtymes wyth a purple / which is called trifolium pratense in Latin / whereof Dioscorides maketh mention in his fourth booke / wytyng de loto syluestri.

The vertues of Clauer gentle.

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Of the herbe called Trifolium.

Trifolium V.



The seede and the leaues of triacle clauer / dronken in water / help the pleuresye / the stopping of water / the fallinge sikenes / the dropsey in the beginninge / and the stranglinge of the mother. They dryue doune also floures. We maye geue thre drammes of the seede and foure of the leafe. The leaues also broken and dronken wpyth honyed vinegre called Drymel / help them that are bitten of venemous beastes. Som wyte that the hole broth of the roote bushe and leaues / if it be poured vpon the bitten place / taketh awaye the payne. Som also geue the leaues of thre sedes to be dronken in wyne in a tertian / and in a quartayn foure sedes / as thynge whych make an ende of the returnyng of the ague. The root is also commonly put into preseruatiues and triacles.

Of horse houe or bulfoote.

Tussilago is named in Greke Bechion / in Englishe Horse houe / or Bullfoote / in Duche Roszhuff / huff battich / in frenche Pas de cheual.

Tussilago hath leaues lyke Iuy / but greater by. or byj. from a roote

Tussilago.



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roote in the ouer partes whyte / and grene beneth full of corners / it hath a stalke in the springe a span longe / and a yelow floure. But wythin a shorte tyme / it leseth both hys stalke and hys floure. The roote is small and fit to be vsed / it groweth aboute riuers and watery places.

The vertues of horse bone.



he leaues of thys herbe broken / and layd to wyth hony / heale the hote inflammation / called saint Antonies fyre. The perfume of the same leaues dyed taken in by a tyme / so that a man gaspyng receyue in the smooke / and drawe it in / it deliuereth men from the dyse cough / and from the shortnes of wynde. They breake also impostumes in the breste. The roote doth thesame in a perfume.

And if it be sodden in mede / and dronken / it will caste out dead chylder.

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Of

Of Cattis taylor or riede mace.

Tipha.



Tipha hath a leafe lyke vnto Cyperis/and a stalke wyght/
smooth and playne/whych hath in the top a thyck floure
set roundabout woth a rough thynge/whych is turned
into a downe / whiche som call panniculam in Latin.
Thys groweth in meres/and standinge waters. I haue
sene it growe moſte commonly amongest reedes and ſed-
ge: it is named in Dutch Kolben or marron kolben / or
or moſz kolben/ſom call it in Engliſhe Cattes taylor: it maye be alſo called
rede mace/becaufe boyes uſe it in theyr handes in the ſtede of a mace.

The vertue of Cattes taylor.

The ſlowre of rede mace manged woth olde ſwoynes greſe well waſhed
healeth burned places woth fyre or ſcalbed woth water.

Of the two kindes of the herbe called Vera-
trum and Helleborns.

Veratrum



Veratrum is named in Greke *Helleboros* and ther of are two kindes the whyte and the black: the whyte hath leaues lyke vnto plantayne or wilde betes/ but shorter and blacker/ and rede in coloz/ a stalk a span longe/ or as som vnderstand the Greke worde xij. inches longe/ hollowe/ which doth cast of the vttermost barke/ when it beginneth to be drye/ it hath many rootes/ small comming out of a litle head/ and somewhat longe/ lyke an vnion/ it groweth in mountaynes and rough places. The rootes must be gathered about haruest. That is beste in whyte hellebore/ that is measurably stretcht furth whyte/ bridle/ thyeck/ sharp/ rishy/ or putting furth dust/ whyse it is broken/ hauinge a small pyth/ and nether burninge in taste/ extremely/ nether drawyng out spattell or flauer in great plentye together: for such will choke sone. It of Cyrene is the principale/ but it of Galatia and Cappadocia is whyter and full of duste and choketh more.

This kinde of *Helleborus* haue I sene very oft/ not only in gardines/ but also in the top of the alpes/ where as I neuer saw one hole/ but alwayes the toppes were bitten of/ and as I do remember/ the stalkes were muche longer then a fote longe: wherfore I doute that palestieon be not well translated here of *Cornarius palmi altitudine*/ as he dothe moste comonlye vse all through in hys translation thys word *palmus* for þ length of ix. inches long/ except he vse here contrary to his comon maner *palmus* for more the a span.

This herbe is called in Duche *Wells niesz wurtz*: the roote of it is called in English *nesse wurt* or whyte *Hellebor*.

The vertue of whyte Hellebore.



Nesse pouder purgeth by vomite/ and bringeth furth diuerse thinges. It is also minged wyth eye medicines/ whyche maye scoure awaye suche thynges whyche bringe darknes vnto the aple of the eye. It bringeth doune floures/ it prouoketh nesse: it killeth misse knodden wyth mele and honye. It is geuen fasting by it self/ or with sesame seade/ or the broth of sodden barley/ or with mede/ or with potage/ or with a lentill broth/ or anye suche lyke suppyng. Som do geue this wyth a great deale of broth or muche suppyng/ and som geue a litle meat immediatly before the patient take it/ if it be to feared that he shoulde be in any ieperdye of stranglyng/ or if he be weyke. They that take it after thys maner/ maye take it wythout ieperdy. If a man make a suppositoary of thys/ and put it into hys fundament/ it will make hym vomit.

Of the black Hellebor.



Veratrum nigrum is named in Greke *Helleborus melas*/ & *Melampodium*. It hath grene leaues lyke þ leaues of þ playn tre/ but lesse drawyng nere vnto þ leaues of *sphondilium*/ which I cal cow persney or middow persney/ & mo ful of cuttynges/ & blaker/ & somthing rough.

Of the black Hellebor.

The stalk is sharp: the floures are whyte/purple in figure of manye berries: the sede is lyke vnto Spanishe saffron: the rotes are small / black hangynge vpon a litle head lyke an onyone / and these are commonly vled. It groweth in rough places and hygh and drye places. The beste is it that is fet from such places as is it / that is fet from anticyra. For the black that is best / groweth in it. Chuse it that is full and thyeck / hauing a litle pyth / or hart / byting and sharpe in tast: Hetherto Dioscorides.

Men haue ben long of that opinion / that the herbe whyche is called in English Bearfoot / and of other Citterwurt / is Helleborus niger / whom I haue folowed vntill I founde that the description of Helleborus niger dyd not agre wyth it. Our Bearfoot hath not leaues lyke vnto a playne tre / but lyke vnto hennep. The stalke also is not so sharp or rough as Dioscorides maketh the stalke of his Helleborus. For these and other causes showed in the chapter of Contiligo / I consente not vnto Matthiolus / otherwayes a well learned man / who agaynst Fuchsius and other learned men / holdeth that our Bearfoot is Helleborus niger. Dodoneus setteth furth an herbe for black Hellebor / whose leaues agre very well with the description / but because the stalke is smooth / and not sharp or rough / and the sede is lyke anis sede / full of wyndles / and not lyke vnto Spanishe saffron sede: I can not thynke that it should be the ryght Helleborus niger. And as for me / I dare not saye that euer I founde the righte black Hellebor / but thys I dare holde / that a man for default of it / maye vse herbe well that kinde of bear foot that goeth euery yeare into the grounde / whereof groweth greate plente in a parko besyde Colchester / and in the west parke besyde Hoxpeth a litle from the riuer called Manspek.

The vertues of black Hellebor.

It purgeth the nether parte of the bellye / driuinge furth flume / and choler / ether by it selfe / or wyth scammona / and wyth one dram of salt / or one scruple and an half. It is also sodden wyth l. ntilles and brothes / whyche are taken for purgationes. It is good for them that haue the falling siknes / for melancholick personnes / for mad men / for the goute / for the palsey. If it be layd to / it bringeth doune weomens sikenes. If it be put in / it scoureth fistulas / if it be taken oute after the thyrde daye. It is lyke wyse put into the eares of them that are hard of hearinge / and it is suffered two or thre dayes wyth Franckincense / it healeth scabbes: or if it be layd to wyth ware or piche / and cedre oyle. If it be layd to by it selfe or wyth vinegre / it healeth frekles / foul scurfynes and lepres. It swageth the teth ache / if it be sodden wyth vinegre / and the teth be washed there wyth. It is also menged wyth torrosines. But if a playster be made of it wyth barley mele / and wyne / it is good for the dropley. If it be set at the rootes of byndes / it maketh the byne to purge. The pyth ought to be taken out of the black Hellebor / as well as out of the whyte.

Of Mollen and suche lyke herbes:

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Verbascum.

Verbascum sylvestre.



Here are two principall kindes of Verbascum/ whyche is called Gohlomos in Greke. The one is the whyte/ and the other is the black/ of the whyte the one is the femall/ and the other is the male. The female hath leaues lyke vnto cole/ but rougher and broder/ and whyter: the stalke is a cubit longe and somwhat more/ whyte and hoys. The floures are whyt/ and som what yelow/ it hath a black seide/ a longe roote/ tarte/ and of the bygness of a finger. It groweth in playne felde/ but the male kinde is somthyng longe/ it hath whyte and narrow leaues/ and it hath a smaler stalke: But the black mollen is lyke vnto the whyte in all poyntes: but it hath broder and blacker leaues. And there is also a wylde kinde that beareth longe twigges like a tre/ and it hath leaues lyke vnto sage/ and hyghe twigges/ and woddyshe/ and about them litle boughes as hore hounde hath/ and it hath yelow floures lyke vnto golde. The whyte Verbascum is called commonly in English mollen or hickis taper/ and in som places longwurt. The black may be called black mollen. The wylde one groweth nowhere in England/ sauinge in gardynes. I haue sene it of late in maister Riches garden. It may be called in Englishe Sage mullen.

The vertues of Mullen.

The rootes of the two fyrst kindes/are binding/wherefore they are good for a lax/ if they be taken in the quantite of the bone/ called in Greke astragalos/ and in English cok all / wyth wyne. The broth of them/ helpe places that are bursten/ shronken together and brus- sed/ and the olde cough. They heale the tuth ache/ if the teth be washed with their broth. The leaues of it that hath golden floures/ sodden in water/ are good for swellinges/ and the inflammation of the eyes/ and for sores that ar full of rottennes/ wyth hony or wine. But wyth vinegre they heale wound- des/ and they are good for them that are bitten of a scorpion. The leaues of the wylde are good to be put in an emplaster agaynst the burninge of anye place.

Of Veruine.

Verbenaca.

Sacra herba.



Her are two kindes of herbes named peristereon in Dioscorides/ the one properly peristereon/ and the other Hierobatone properly/ and somtyme also peristereon. And Pliny maketh two kindes of Verbena/ or Verbenaca. Matthiolus writeth that ther is no dif- ference

ference betwene these two herbes Peristereon and Hierobatone / but that the one hath hys stalkes growyng ryght vp wyth few leaues, one far from an other / and the other lyeth wyth hys stalkes vpon the grounde / turnyng a litle bywarde wyth moze leaues. But the text of Dioscorides that Mathiolus taketh in hand to expound / declareth far other difference / then Mathiolus speaketh of: for Peristereon as the text of Dioscorides declareth / is a span long or longer / and Hierobatone hath braunches a cubit long / and longer. Lo here is great difference betwene the length of Peristereon and Hierobatone. The leaues of Peristereon are indented and somthyng whytish / the leaues of Hierobatone are so cut in and indented aboute the edges / as y^e oke leafe is / and they are in color graysh blewe. We maye se also that they differ also in the color of the leafe / if they differ not also in the depnes of iagging or indenting / as I thinke a man may gather by Dioscorides that they do. For the former hath but a lyght cuttinge aboute / made mention of / and the later is declared to haue much deper indenting / wherefore these herbes differ much more then only in the lying or standing of the herbe. And Pliny wytyng of the two kinde of Verbenaca / maketh them after the reporte of wyters to be both one kind / not because they haue one liknes in leaues / stalkes and floures / but because as he wyteth: quonia vtraq; eodē effectus habeat, because they haue both thesame vertues / which sauing as it is contrary to it that Dioscorides wyteth of the vertues of these two herbes / so is his description of them contrary vnto the description of Dioscorides: for he maketh y^e first to be a span long & moze / & the second a cubit long / and sometime longer.

The length & the indenting of y^e leafe of y^e herbe which we comonly call Veruine / & the Duch eisenkraut / wold moue me moze to thinke y^e our comō Veruine should be Hierobatone then Peristereon / if y^e floures were not so whytish / but y^e color is a decepuable signe / for in many places & groundes it chaungeth / for all other thinges the description of Hierobatone in my iudgemente agreeth better white our Veruine then the description of Peristereon doth / let other men iudge in this matter / that are vniuersalye sene in all kinde of philosophy / and in olde wyters.

The vertues of the former kinde of Veruine called properly Peristereon.

The leaues layd to wyth rose oyle / an freshe swynes greise / take awaye the payne in the mother. The herbe layd to wyth vinegre / stayeth burning heates / and saint Antonyes fyre / and stoppeth rotting / and ioyneth together woundes / and couereth wyth a skinne / and filleth wyth fleshe olde woundes.

The vertues of the second kinde of Veruine properly called Hierobatone.



The leaues of thys and the rootes dronken wyth wyne / and also layde to / are good agaynst crepyng beastes / as serpentes & such like. The leaues taken in y^e quantite of a dram / wyth a scruple and an halfe of Frankincense / are dronken in x. vneces of old wyne / fasting for the space of xl. dayes agaynst the iaundes. The same layd to / swage longe swellinges and inflammationes / and they scoure fylthy sores. But the hole herbe it self / sodden wth wyne / breaketh vp crustes or scabs.

Of the Fiche.

or stalkes in the almondes/and it stoppeth the fretting sores of the mouth/ if it be gargled there wth:som saye that the broth of it be syrinkled in feastes or bankettes / that the gesses or drinkers thereby are made merrier. The chyde ioynte/ from the grounde wth the leaues that grow about it/ is geuen in a tertian/ and the fourth is so geuen in a quartayn. They call it Hie robatone, that is an holy herbe/ because it is very good for to be hanged vpon men/ agaynst inchantementes and to purify or clenge wth all.

Of the Fiche.



Ficia is named in Greke Vikion/ in English a fiche / or of som a Tare/ in Duche wicken/ in frenche la viese. The fiche is so well knownen that it nedeth no description/ all men knowe that the leaues growe by payres wyngwysse / on agaynst an other / and that the sede is not so round as a whyte pease is/ but much flatter. It is euell to be eaten of men/ for it stoppeth the belly to much/ and ingend^reth a grosse and melancholike humoz in the body of a man/ but it is good for beastes/ as experience hath taught vs these manye

manye yeares. Pliny writeth that the fische fatteth the grounde/and that there are thre tymes of sowynge of it. The fyrste tyme is about the fallinge of arcturus/that it maye sede in December. Then is it best sowne to make oz gather sede of it / for it will bringe furth lyke well/after that it is ones cutte doune/oz eaten by to the rootes. The seconde tyme of sowynge is in Janu-rye. The thyrde tyme is in Marche/and that whych is sowne then/ is mooste fit to bringe furth stalkes and braunches. It loueth best drynes of all thyn-ges that are sowne; and it refuseth not shaddow places. The chaffe of it is best of all other/ if the sede be gathered when it is ripe.

Of wall gelouer and stock gelouers.

Viola alba.

Viola matronalis alba.



Viola alba is named in Greke Leucoion/ but although the worde betoken a whyte violet / yet Dioscorides maketh foure kinde of Leucoion/ whereof he maketh but one kinde wpth a whyte flour/ and that is the fyrste kinde. The seconde kinde hath yelow flour. The thirde kind hath blew floures. The fourth kind hath purple floures.

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Of the Violet.

Viola alba Theophrasti.

Viola Punicæ.



It that hath the yelow floure/whyche Dioscorides writeth to be mete to be
used for physik/is called of the Arabians Keiri/in Duche geel violetten/in
Englishe wal gelouer or hartis eale. The other thye kindes are called stock
gelouers/hauing there names according vnto the coloure of the floure that
they beare.

The vertues of the gelouers.



He dye floures of wall gelouet/sodden to sit in/ ar good
for the inflammation of the mother/and to bringe doune
floures. If they be receyued in a cerote/they heal the rin-
nings in the fundamente. They heale wyth honye the
burninge sores of the mouthe. The seide of it in the wey-
ght of two drames/dronken wyth wyne/or layd to wyth
honye/dryueth doune floures/secondes and the byrthe.
The rootes layd to wyth vinegre/minishe the bignes of the milke/and are
good for them that haue the gout.

Of the

Of the Violet.

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Viola matronalis purpurea.



Viola is named in Greke Ion melan/ som Latine men name it *Violam nigram*/ and som call it *Violam purpuream*. The purple violet as Dioscorides writeth / hath a leafe lesse and thinner then the Tupe / but blacker / and not vnlyke / and a litle stalke in the middes from the roote / whereon groweth a litle floure verpe well smellinge / of a purple colour.

The vertues of the Violettes.

Violettes haue a coolinge nature. The leaues of violettes layde to both by them selues / and also woth perched barley mele / are good for a burninge stomack / the inflammation of the eyes / and the fallinge doune of the fundament : some write that it that is purple in the floure / if it be dronken woth water / is good for the squinancie or choughes / and for the fallinge siknes in childer.

The vertues of Violettes out of Mesue.

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The

Of the Violet.

The violet when it is grene is colde and moyste in the fyrst degre/ when it is dyed it is both lesse cold and drye. A grene violet stan- cheth hote aches after the maner of other that make dull/ and vn- sensible/ and it quencheth out all inflammaciones/ it swageth and softeneth the throple/ and the breste/ and it purgeth oute yelowre choler/ and putteth out the heate of it. It healeth the head ache that commeth of an ho- te cause. Violettes make a man to slepe/ and they are good for the disease of the buula/ the squinancie or choukes and the pleuresye/ and all swellinges of the breste/ they heale also meruelously the inflammation of the liner/ and the drye stopping of the same/ and the iauundes or guelsought/ and inflaming a- gues/ they quenche thyrst/ but they sterc by a rume that falleth from y head into the nose thrilles: the violet is better that is gathered in the morninge/ whose vertue nether the heate of the sun hath melted away/ nether y rayne hath wasted and driuen away. Violettes and violet oyle/ are put vnto medi- cines to restreine and make dull the behemence or great strenght of them. The iuice of violettes and the syrop louse the bellye by softeninge of it. The violettes condited wyth hony/ scour more/ but coole lesse: but condited wyth sugre contrarywise. Nether violettes nor ther iuyce can abyde long sething/ the vinegre made of violettes/ maketh wonderfullie the burninge of hote a- gues: the broth of violettes is geuen from iiii. vnces vnto viii. the iuyce is ge- uen from one vnce to two: the syrop is geuen from ij. vnces to iiii. and y con- serue is geuen from one vnce and an half vnto thre vnces. Thus much may ye geue when as ye are disposed to pouрге y violettes: at other tymes whē ye intend not to purge/ ye may geue lesse then is here before appoynted.

*Of the Missel or Misselto tre, and lyme made of the same
out of Dioscorides.*



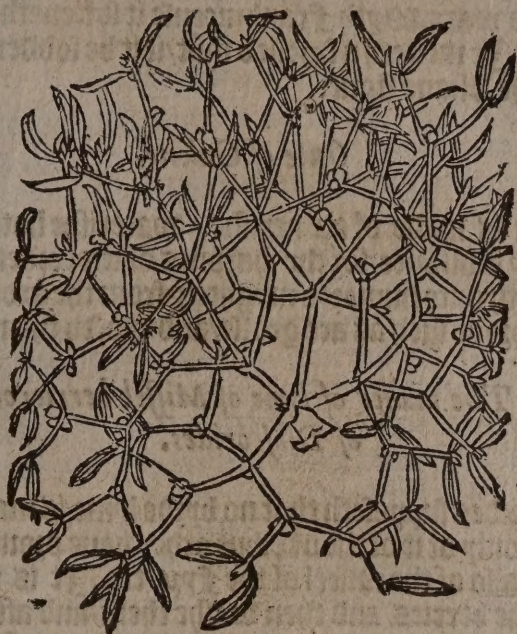
busshes.

The best missel byrde lyme is freshe resemblinge a leke in color within/ but somthyng yelow wythoute/ and hath no rough thyng/ nether any dirt or thinges lyke bran in it. It is made of a certayn round fruyte that groweth in an oke/ the lease of the bushe/ that beareth it/ is lyke bu- to bore. It groweth also in apple and crab trees & peare trees and other trees/ and somtyme at the rootes of som

Out of Theophrast.

It maye appeare to be wondered at/ and most of all agaynst rea- son/ that certayn sedes can not growe out of the grounde as mis- sel stelis/ and hiphear. Stelis is an euboiane worde: Hiphear is an archadical worde: Tros or viscū is comon/ som hold y all these haue one nature/ but y they seme in y to differ/ y they growe in diuerse trees: for hiphear & stelis growe in y fyre tre/ viscū in y oke & turpentine tre/ & many other. This Missel doth growe no other wayes/ but by y sede in such places where

Viscum.



Viscum album

where as byrdes haue deuoured the fruyt/and haue shitten out theyr excre-
mentes in the tre.

Virgil also declareth thesame in these two verses folowynge.

Quale solet syluis brumalis frigore viscum
Fronde virere noua, quod non sua seminat arbos.

By these places rehearsed/a man maye learne to vnderstande this pro-
uerbe:

Turdus ipse sibi malum cacat.

The thursle shyte her selfe: She shitteth out the miscel berries
well prepared in her bodye/and layeth them vpon the tre/ the berries grow
into a bushe/and the bushe bringeth furth berries/and of the berries the fou-
ler maketh byrde lyme/where wyth after ward he taketh the thursle/ and
so the thursle hath shitten oute her oune destruction. [I neuer sawe more
plentye of righte oke miscel then Hugh Morgan shewed me in London. It
was sente to hym oute of Essex: where as there is more plentye then in anye
other place of Englande that I haue ben in.]

Calamus

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Of the Missel or Misselto tre.

The vertue of Miscell and miscel byrd lyme.

Miscel burde lyme / hath the poure to driue awaye / to soften / to drawe / to make ripe impostemes / called pinos impostemes be-
hinde the eares / and other impostemes wpyth like quantite of ro-
sin and ware. wpyth Frankincense it softeneth old sores and rebel-
lius impostemes. It melteth a fowelled milt / if it be sodden and layd to wpyth
a gete stone or the Aliane stone.

Oute of Galene.

Viscum is made of an aerishe / waterishe hote nature / and a litle
earthly substance / for the sharpnes of it / exceedeth the bitternes. It
draweth oute humores myghtely from the grounde / and it scatte-
reth abrode such as are grosse / and rypeth them.

*The maner of lyme of Missel berries out
of Dioscorides.*

Dioscorides supposeth that no byrde lyme is made of any miscel / sa-
uinge only of it of the oke: but other haue proued / that it maye be
made also of the miscel of the fyre tre. It is made thus: Bruise
fyrst the berries / and then washe them / and afterwarde seth them
in water. Some vse to make the lyme by chowpyng of the berries in theyr
mouth.

Out of Plinye.

Miscel byrde lyme is made of the berries which are gathered in the
haruest tyme: for if the rayn come vpon them / indeede they growe
greater / but that rotteth awaye that shoulde become lyme. After
that they be gathered / they must be dried / and then beaten / & they
let them rot xij. dayes in water. This thinge alone getteth goodnes by rot-
tinge. Then bruse them in a running water wpyth a male / vntill the skinnies
of the berries be all gone / and the lyme ware tough.

Of the tre called Vitex.



Vitex is named in Greke agnos or ligos / som translate
agnon into amerina / as Theodore / and oure Linaker
do. But amerina is a kinde of salicis biminalis in Colu-
mella / whiche is also called salix sabina. The apotheca-
ries call Viticem / agnum castum. In som place of Ger-
many the apothecaries vse priuet for agno / and in Eng-
land they abuse shamfully tutsam / for agno. I haue sene
it growyng at the black freres in Ferrara / and afterward in Peter Coto-
denberges gardin in Antwerp. It hath fruyte and leaues lyke vnto Hemp /
wherefore it maye be called Hemp tre / or of þe vertue that it hath / Chast tre.

Out of

Out of *Dioscorides*.

Vitex is a bushe lyke a tre. It groweth besyde riuers/ rough places/ and valees. It hath long boughes hard to breake. The leaues are lyke olyue leaues/ but tenderer. The one kinde hath a whyte floure wyth a thinge resemblinge purple. The other hath a floure only purple. The seide is lyke peper: so far *Dioscorides*.

The vertues of *Chaste tre*.

It hath vertue to heate and to binde. The seide of it dronken is good for the biting of venemous beastes/ for them that haue the dropley/ and the swellinge of the milke. It increaseth also milke/ and bringeth doune floures. If it be dronken wyth wyne in the quantite of a dram/ it resolueth and wasteth awaye the seide. It bereth the heade and maketh a man slepe. The broth of the leaues and seide made to sit in/ helpeyth the inflammationes and diseases about the mother. If it be dronken wyth pennye ryall/ and the seide made after the maner of a perfume/ and also layd to/ stereth by a purgation. If it be layde in/ it easeth also the head ache. It is good to poure it vpon the head/ when a man hath a phrenesye/ or forgotten euell/ beyng meinged wyth vinegre and oyle. The leaues of it made in a perfume/ and strowed vnder vpon the ground/ driue awaye venemous beastes/ and if they be layde to/ they are good for the bitinges of the same. Wyth the leaues of the vynde and butter/ they soften the hardnes of the stones. The seide also layd to wyth water/ swageth the payne of the nicks/ or rpyuinge of the fundamente. But wyth the leaues it healeth it that is oute of ioynte and woundes. It appeareth also to be good for chansyng in a iorney/ if a man carye a rod of it in his hande: it is called agnos/ that is chaste/ because woemen kepyng chastite/ in the sacrifices of Ceres/ bled to straw this bushe vpon the ground/ and other places. It is called ligos/ that is a twige/ because the twiges of it are so stronge.

Galene sayeth that agnos is hote and drye in the thyrde degre: it is of a subtil substance/ sharp in taste/ and also binding. The seide of chaste tre/ both fried and not fried/ stayeth the desyre to the pleasure of the bodye. The leues and floures of it/ can do the same: but som beleue that the leaues and floures not onely eaten and dronken/ helpe to kepe the chastite/ but also if they be strowed all about wher folke trede.

Of *Brionye*.*Brionia alba*

It is alba is also called in Latin *Brionia*/ and in Greke *ampelos leuke*/ and also *brionia*: it is called in English *Briony*/ in *Duche* *Hunds kurbz* or *kurbz wurtzel*: it groweth comonlye in all countrees. *Briony* hath long braunches/ bushy/ yong sprytinges/ and leaues lyke vnto the gardin or manered vynde/ but all thinges rougher: it wrappeth it selfe aboute the next bushes/ embrasyng them wyth his busshye braunches or claspers: it hath a fruyt full of berries/ in coloz rede/ and there wyth skynnes haue the heare taken of them.

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The

O/ Brionye.

Vitis alba.



The vertues of Brionye.



The fyrst twigges that comme furth lyke vnto Sperage are sodden and eaten/and they prouoke a man to make water/ and also to the stoole. The leaues/ the fruyt/and the roote haue a sharpe or biting nature / wherefore they are good if they be layd to wyth salt/for olde festerieng rotten and consuming sores of the legges. The roote scoureth the skinne / and taketh awaye winkles/ with bitter fitches and the earth of Cis/and Fene- greke it scoureth awaye frekels made wyth the son/ and suche lyke spots/ and black scarres. The same roote sodden wyth oyle vntill it be softe / is good for the same purposes. It taketh also awaye the blew marks of bru- sed places/and it draweth together the aguayles in the fingers. If it be layde to wyth wyne, it driueth awaye inflammationes/ and it breaketh in- postumes/and if it be dronken and layde to/it bringeth furth bones / and it is good to be menged wyth Corosiu medicines. The same is good to be dronken in the quantite of a dram euerye daye for the space of a yere / for the

the falling sickness. It is good for them that are taken / and for them that are
 duse or haue a swoyminge in the heade / if it be taken after the same maner.
 But if it be dronken in the quantite of two drammes / it healeth them that
 are bitten of a viper or adder. It is perillous for weomen wyth chylde: it
 troubleth somtyme the minde a litle. And if it be dronken / it stereth one to
 make water: if it be layd to the mother it will drawe doune the secondes: it
 is good to be geuen in an electuary to them that are almost strangled / and
 them that are shortwinded / and them that haue the cough / and to them that
 haue ache in the syde / to them that haue any place bursten and drawen to-
 gether. A scruple and an half of the poudre of it / taken wyth vinegre for the
 space of xxx. dayes / melted awaye the swelled milke. It is good to lay to the
 same wyth a figge for the same thynges: it is sodden to sit in / to pouрге the
 mother. The iuyce is gathered oute in the springe. Thys is dronken with
 mede for the same purposes: it driueth furth so thynne slemme. The fruyte is
 good for leynes and scabbes / whether the places be anoynted therewith / or
 it be layd to. The iuyce of the fruyte draweth milke to the breste / if it be ta-
 ken wyth frumentie made of sodden wheate.

Of the black Brionye.

Vitis nigra.



Jamus

Of the black Brionye.



The black Brionye hath leaues lyke Iuy / but lyker to the leaues of Smilax / but greater / and so are the stalkes. Thys dothe also embrace and cleue aboute trees wpyth hys busshye braunches and claspers. The fruyte is full of berries / grene at the fyrste / but it wareth blacke when it is ripe. The roote is blacke wythoute / and of the colour of bore wythin.

The vertues of black Brionye.

The fyrste buddes of blacke Brionye prouoke water / dryue doune floures / and make lesse the milte. It is good for the dullnes of the heade / and for them that haue the fallinge sikenes / for the palsey. The roote hath lyke vertue wpyth the whyte Briones rootes / but it is not so stronge. The leaues layde to wpyth wyne / are good for the chafynge of beastes neckes. The same is also good to laye to membez oute of ioynte. Matthiolus setteth oute an herbe for black Brionye / whyche in my iudgement for diuerse causes can not be that herbe both for the color of the berry / when it is ripe / it is nether black in Italy nor in Almanye nor in England: and also because that thys herbe beyng manifestly colde / hath not the properties that Dioscorides and Galene and Mesue geue vnto it / they graunt all that it is of lyke vertue wpyth the whyte Brionye / but that it is not also stronge. And Mesue maketh whyte Briony hote and drye in the thyrde degree / and he maketh the black Briony manifestly hote / where he sayeth it is not so hote as the whyte is. And he sayeth vtriusque radix. The root of both is good for the colde diseases of the synewes / and that it scoureth the brayne of rotten flemme / and is good for the fallinge siknes. He writeth that the black Briony is also good for wenmes: now whether a colde herbe / as I am sure it is that Matthiolus setteth furth / will heale these diseases aboue reherced or no: I reporte me vnto learned men. And whether the herbe be colde or no / they maye knowe that will taste it aboute midsummer / and se what qualite it hath in taste. It groweth in the hedges that go aboute the crosse / that is nexte vnto them. Som haue taken thys herbe for Cyclaminus altera / but they were deceyued: for it hath no suche roote nor vertue as Cyclaminus hath. I sawe this true black Briony ones in the mount Appennine / and the seruant of Lucas Sinus shewed it me there. The roote was a dosen tymes bigger: then the roote of it is that Matthiolus setteth oute for *Uitis nigra*.

Of the fyrste kinde of wilde Vindes.

Dioscorides maketh mention and wyrteth in two places of a wilde vinde. The former kinde is thus described of hym. The wilde vinde bringeth furth braunches as a bynde / woddyshe roughe wpyth a barcke gapyng and hauinge creuisses / leaues lyke vnto gardine night shade / but broder and longer / a floure lyke as mossye heares / a fruyte lyke

small clusters, rede when it is ripe: the figure of the seede is rounde.

The vertues of the fyrst kinde of wilde Vinde.

The roote of thys herbe heated in wine/ and mended wyth sea wa-
ter/ and dronken wyth two ciates of water/ purgeth waterish hu-
mores/ and it is also geuen to them that haue the dropsey / but the
clusters clenge the spottes that are made by the sonne / and all o-
ther spottes. The litle braunches that come fyrste furth/ are seasoned & layd
by in byne for meat. There is diuersite of opinionies betwen fuchsius and
Matthiolus what herbe shoulde be this Vitis syluestris/ fuchsius woulde
that the running bushe groweth vpon liuing hedges/ and crepeth vpon tre-
es wyth an hozy fruyte/ wyth a leafe lyke nyghtshade/ but a litle indented
about/ should be Vitis syluestris. But Matthiolus setteth out for vite sylue-
stri an herbe whyche is called of the comon Herbaries amara dulcis/ and it
maye be called in Englishe bitterwoete. If it had rede berries/ then would I
haue consented vnto fuchsius / but because it hath none suche that euer I
could se/ I dare not geue full consent wyth hym. The herb that Matthiolus
setteth furth for vitis syluestris/ which groweth only about ditches and wa-
tersydes/ can not be vitis syluestris / because nether the description nether y
vertues of vitis syluestris agreeth vnto it. For his herbe hath leaues muche
longer and much sharper then the comon nightshad hath: and belydes that
about the settinge on to the stalke of euery leafe/ hath on eche syde a thyng
growyng furth lyke an eare. I haue sene som heades of leaues and bozesta-
ues muche lyke vnto thys leafe. Dioscorides maketh mention of no suche le-
se/ but of one that is lyke vnto nyghtshade. Theophraste writeth that thys
wyld byne/ is very hote and biting in so much that it is bled to pull of hare
and suche frekels or spottes that come by the heat of the sun. Loke in y^r ix. bo-
ke of the stori of plantes or growyng thinges/ and there ye shall fynde thys
to be true. Then when as amara dulcis is not hote aboue the fyrst degre/ as
experience can iudge: Matthiolus in my iudgemēt erred much more in this
mater then fuchsius dyd/ whom he went about to confute. The duche men
call the herbe that Matthiolus setteth furth for vitis syluestri Je lenger ie lie-
ber/ that is the longer y^e plesanter/ or derer/ because when a man tasteth first
of the bark/ it is somthing bitter/ and y^e longer ye hold it in youre mouth/ the
sweter will it be/ if it had ben an hote herbe/ the longer that he had holden it
in hys mouth/ the vnpleasanter wold it haue ben by the reason of byting of y^e
tonge/ as all herbes that are de pilatiue or burners of/ of hare do.

Of the seconde kinde of Vitis syluestris, called wild vynde.

Dioscorides intreateth of the fyrst vite syluestri in the fourth boke &
x. chapter: but he intreateth of the second kinde in the fyrste chapter
of the v. boke/ after thys maner. There are two kindes of ampe-
lon agrias or labrusce/ the one bringeth neuer the grape furth to ri-
penes/ but vnto the floure which is called enanthe. The other maketh perfit
his grape/ but hath smal berries/ black and binding. Thys second kind haue
I sene both in Italy & in Germany. The leues & new twiges wth their braun-
ches & stalkes/ haue like pour wth y^e comon vind/ sauing y^e thes ar mo binding.
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Of the seconde kinde of *Vitis sylvestris* called wild vynde.

The vertues of the garden or manered vynde.



The leaues and yonge twigges if they be layde to, they swage the heade ache/and the burnyng or inflammation of the stomack wyth perched barley meale/and so do the leaues alone/ because they haue the poure to coole and to binde. The iuyce of them also dronken/ is good for the bloody fluxe/ the spittinge of bloode/ the discaise of the stomack/ and the longinge or greuynge siknes of weomen. The yonge busshe boughes steped in water and dronken/ will do the same: the dropping of it whyche is lyke vnto a gumme/ and wareth thicke aboute the bodye of the vnde: if it be dronken/ drieth oute the stone. And if the place be prepared wyth nitre/ it will heale scuruienes/ scabbes and lepres. If it be layde vpon the scabbed places. If it be continually layde to wyth oyle/ it wasteth awaye heare. And that thyng doth specialllye the frothy matter/ that cummeth furth of the grene branche whyle it is in burninge. The same is good to kill wartes also: but the allhes of the vndes boughes/ and the drosse that remaineth after the grapes/ are pressed out: if they be layd to wyth vinegre/ they swage hard lumpes and knoppes about the fundament. It is also good for membes out of ioynt/ and the biting of a veper or adder/ and for the inflammation of the milke/ if it be layd to wyth rose oyle/ rue and vinegre.

The vertues of rasynes oute of *Dioscorides*.



Rasynes called in Latin *bue passe*/ and of other passule/ if they be whyte/ they binde more. The flesh or pulpe of them is good to be eaten for the roughenes of the throote/ for the cough/ for the kidnes and the bladder/ they are also good for the bloody fluxe/ if they be eaten with the stones/ and if they be receyued in meate after they be mended wyth the mele of millet and barley and an egge/ and be fryen in a fryng pan.

The same ether by them selues and wyth peper/ if they be chowed in the mouth/ draw out thin steme out of the heade. If they be layde to wyth powder of comin and bean meale/ as som translate *fabam*/ they staunche the inflammations of the stones. If they be layd to with rue without the stones/ they heale rede angri nyght ploukes and sores that haue matter in them lyke honye/ carbuncles/ rottennes about the ioyntes/ and sores called gangrenes. The same are good for the goute. If they be layde to wyth the iuyce of paniceis. Also if they be layde vnto louse nayles/ they make them come of the soner.

Of wall penny grasse.



Ubilicus veneris is named in Greke *kotyledon septalion* and *cymbalion*. It hath a leafe lyke vnto the hole that receyue the rounde ende of the huckel bone/ whiche hath the forme of a sawset/ rounde and

*Copy of the same
Vitis sylvestris*

and darkly holowe / a short stalk in the middes / wherein groweth sede. It hath a rounde roote lyke an olyue. Thys herbe groweth in welles and diuers places of Summer set shyre in more plentye / then euer I sawe in anye other place all my lyfe. I knowe no English name for it; but lest it should be wythout a name / I call it wall penny grasse. To put a difference betwene it and the shepekyllinge penny grasse / that groweth in merishe and waterye groundes. As for the other kinde / I neuer sawe it that I wote of / excepte I sawe it paynted in Matthiolus / but his seconde kinde is set oute wyth lesse leaues then the former is / whych agreeth not wyth the description of Dioscorides / who maketh the seconde kinde bigger then the former.

The vertues of wall penny grasse.

The iuyce of the leaues layd to wyth wyne / or poured in / louseth the stoppage of the priuities. The same layde to / is good for the inflammationes / and saint Antonies fyre / for kybed heles / and wennes / & burninge stomackes. But the leaues taken in meate wyth the rootes / breake the stone / prouoke water / and they are geuen wyth honied wine to them that haue the dropsey.

Of the Elm tre.

Vlmus.



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Vlmus

Of the Elm tre.



Ulmus is named in Greke Ptelea / in Duche ein elm baum / in English an Elm tre / it groweth comonly in all countrees. Theophraste maketh two kindes of elm / the elm of the playne and mount elme. The playne elme is more braunchie or full of braunches: the mount elme is of greater growth: the leafe is not diuided / lightly iagged about / longer then a peare tre lefe / rough and not smothe. This tre is notable both in greatnes and in leingth. It loueth moyste groundes: the tymbre is yelow / strong / full of synewes / and euell fauored / for it is al hart. Virgil also maketh the elm an hygh tre in thys verse: Nec gemere aeria cessabit turtur ab vlmo.

The vertues of the Elm tre.

The leues / the boughes / and the bark of the elm tre / haue a binding vertue: the leues are good for the lepre / layd to wth vinegre / & they bind woundes together / but the bark is better / therfore if it be bound to as a swadling band. But the thicker bark dronken with wine or water in the quantite of an vnice / driueth out flume. If broken bones be sprenghed & washed with the broth of the leaues / or the barke of the roote / they will soner be couered with an hard crust & grow together. But the iuyce is in the knoppes or buddes & come fyrst furth if it be layd to / it maketh the face very clere: the same moysture after it is dried vp / is resolued into litle flies like ganattes. The fyrste grene leaues are sodden for kichin or so well as other eatable herbes be.

Of the Nettell.

Vrtica Romana.

Vrtica maior.



Of the Nettell.
Vrtica minor.

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Vrtica is named in Greke acadyphe/and kniſde: in Engliſh a net-
tel/in Duche ein neſſel/in French ortye. There are two kindes of
nettels:the one is wilder ſharper and broder/ and it hath blacker
leaues:the ſede is lyke lynt ſede/but leſſer. This is the kinde that
is called Vrtica Romana/and it groweth in Englande onelye in gardines:
but in Italy/and in Hentz in Germanye:it groweth wilde as our comon
nettel doth. The ſecond kinde hath ſmall ſede/ and is not ſo ſharpe as the o-
ther is/and this take I to be our comon nettel of Englande.

The vertues of Nettels.



The leaues of both þ kindes of nettels/layd to wyth ſalt/heale
the biting of a dog/ſores called gangrenes/and other cākred
ſores/and foule ſores/and partes out of ioynte/lumpes/swel-
linges behind the eares/swelling of kirknelles lyke bread/ and
impoſtemes. The ſame are good to be layde on the milt wyth
ware. The leaues broken and put in wyth the iuyce/ſtoppeth
the guffing out of blood of the noſe. If they be bruſed/and put in woth myr/
they byinge doune ſloures. The grene leaues layde to/ſet the mother in her

ff ij place

Of Clot bur.

place again/when it is fallen doune. The sede dronken with maluaſy/ſter a man to the pleasure of the bodye/and openeth the mother: the ſame licked by wyth hony/is good for the ſtopping of the pipes/for the pleuereſy and long ſought or inflammation of the lunges. It bringeth out tough ſleme wyche cleueth faſt in the brest or lunges. The leaues ſodden wyth ſhell fiſhe / ſoſten the belly/louſe winde/and make a mā piſſe. But then it bringeth ſleme beſte out of the brest/when it is ſodde wyth a tyfan. The bzoth of the leaues that are ſodden wyth myrr: if it be dronken/it will bring doune weomens floures: y iuice if a man gargle with it/it is good for the inflammation of y vuula.

Of Clot bur.

Xanthium.

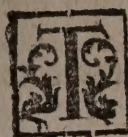


Xanthium is named in duch betlers leuſz or klein kletten/ in French glouteron/ in English clot bur or dich bur/ it groweth in fat groundes and in diches/ that are dryed by: it hath a ſtalk a cubit long/ fat and full of corners/ and therein many winges or holow places like armeholes. The leaues ar like vnto a reche cut about the edge/ wyth a ſmell lyke cresses: the fruyt is round/ as a big olyue/ full of prickes/ as the pilles of the playn tre are/ and they will ſtick vpon your clothes/ if ye touche them.

The

Of Xyris or Spourgwurt.
The vertues of Dickebur.

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The dickebur is good to be layd vnto swellinges. The broth of the bark of the roote dronken/wasteth away the swelling of the milt/ and the broth of it/ if it be sodden woth wyne/ fasteneth louse teth/ if the mouth be wasshed therewyth.

Of Xyris or Spourgwurt.

Xiris.



Xiris hath leaues lyke floure de Lice/ but broader and sharpe in the top/ and a great stalk of a cubit hyght/ cominge oute of the leaues wherein are thesqwared coddies/ and in them is a purple floure/ and it that is in the middes/ is of a cremesin coloz/ and there is sede in the sede vesselles/ lyke the truyte called Faba in Latin/ rounde/ rede and bytinge: the roote is parted woth many ioyntes/ and it is long and rede in coloz.

Diuers learned men holde that thys is the herbe/ whych is comonly cal led of y comon herbaries spatula fetida/ & surely I know no herbe y agreeth

ff iii so well

Of Xyris or Spourgewurt.

so well wyth the description of Xyris/as spatula fetida doth. But the roote is falsely paynted in all the figures that euer I sawe set oute as yet. For the roote is not set oute wyth long ioyntes as I haue sene it oft growynge/but so as though it had no ioyntes at all. This herbe is called in the yle of Barbek/Spourgewurt/because the iuyce of it purgeth as the iuyce of the roote of floure de Lyce doth.

The vertues.

The roote is good for the woundes and breaking of the head/it draweth furth pyckes / and it draweth furth anye flyinge weapon as dartes and arrowes wythout any payne / if ye put vnto it the third parte of flozis eris / and the fyrst parte of Centory / and som hony. If it be layd to wyth vinegre / it healeth swellinges and inflammationes. It is good to be dronken agaynst brusynge and shrinkinge together of places / and agaynst the sciatica and the strangurye / and the fire / if the roote be brused with maluesey. The seede is most myghtye to make a man pisse / if it be dronken in the quantite of a scruple and an halfe wyth wyne. The same dronken wyth wine / melteth awaye the great milt.

F I N I S.

Thankes to God for all hys gyftes.
A M C R.

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1 leaf 2
2 leaf 1
bles ja
3 leaf 2
4 leaf 1
me and
5 leaf a
kidney
6 leaf 1
for un
7 leaf 1
9 leaf 1
10 leaf 1
11 leaf 1
engala
13 1 29
15 1 43
16 1 18
18 1 31
19 1 14
20 1 39
23 1 28
24 1 11
25 1 27
26 1 33
28 1 16
29 1 22
33 1 44
36 1 20
37 1 28
38 1 8
39 1 26
40 1 37
rede Fin
41 1 30
43 1 34
45 1 11
46 1 20
drou
47 1 11
fide li
49 1 35
51 1 38
54 1 4
55 1 6
56 1 18
57 1 27
59 1 26
60 1 20

THE FAVTES AND ERRORES CONTEINED IN
thys booke, nedefull to be corrected. The first figure betokeneth
the leafe: the second, the syde: the thyrde, the line.

- 1 leafe 2 syde 36 line, for hatt rede hart.
- 2 leafe 1 syde 1 line, for semith rede semeth. line 37 for paues rede panos. 2 syde 7 line, rede for sta-
bles scabbes. in the same syde, rede Northen men, rank and herbishe.
- 3 leafe 2 syde rede bonesfyres. line 16 rede with mede: line the 20 red hellebor.
- 4 leafe 1 syde 9 line, rede boles for belles: rede in the same syde for bar acerues, bear acornes, and thy-
me and salt Indiane: on the second side rede for heun dreame, heuy dreames.
- 5 leafe and in all other places, wher soeuer thou seest wheter, rede whether: fift line red for kidneis
kidneys: line thre and thyrty red for bonkero boukeros.
- 6 leafe first side line 20 for rothe rede roote: second side 4 line, for clip rede chipp. 13. red liuer, and
for iunce rede iunce: 25 rede for art and 40 for cyrop rede rerote.
- 7 leafe first side 9 line rede lumps: 17 rede bushe: 26 for would douted, rede wold haue douted.
- 9 leafe, first side, 23 line, rede erred: 2 side rede siues.
- 10 leafe first side, 23 line, rede cherephyllon: second side, 21 line, rede ye for iow.
- 11 leafe 1 side 5 line, rede for banes leaues. lin. 8, rede for new now: 12 side, lin. 36 rede eugalacton for
engalacton.
- 13 2 29 for mens rede wymens.
- 15 1 43 rede chelidion for chelidion.
- 16 1 18 darnel for daruel: 2 10. rede sethe for set.
- 18 2 31 rede for lyke, is lyke.
- 19 1 14 rede driueth for druleth: 2 side, line 34 rede aquietatem for aquitatem.
- 20 1 39 rede describing it. seconde side and the seconde line, rede yet grow.
- 23 1 28 is in Slauonia: second side lin. 4. rede choler for color. 32. rede one is, for olye is.
- 24 2 1 Grecianes. lin. 7. Methridates. lin. 13. red pulled for palled.
- 25 1 2 rede arkeuthis. lin. 3. rede fede for fede.
- 26 1 33 red calleth furth or bringeth furth.
- 28 1 16 rede bole for boli. second side, line 24. rede hurt of it by: rede to be hurt by.
- 29 1 22 rede deale for olial. lin. 43. is that which is called. li. 45. rede for them, to them.
- 33 1 44. rede sea water. 34 leafe rede for ghorinion ghorimon.
- 36 2 rede for older elder, for herbe bushe, in the last line sauing one.
- 37 2 28 rede in Macedonia, and yet it doth not folow.
- 38 2 8 rede layd up. 10. for cis rede is. 13. red cut.
- 39 1 26 red for handly hardly.
- 40 1 3 rede oyle is a good remedye. 12. rede milium solis. second side, the third line, rede left: line 16.
rede Fuchsiusses. 32. rede for
- 41 2 30 rede sayd for layde. 42 syde, lin. 43 red lotus for potus.
- 43 1 34 rede iagges. second side, lin. 8. to the bursting out of wheles.
- 45 1 line the last gnawing.
- 46 1 20 red cy medicines, and such as swage ake. 2 1. rede preß. 2 line 29. rede two for to. 30. rede
drousey.
- 47 1 1 wax. 11. raw. 35. haue 1. 36. ad to chek and controle, for to old. 45. rede heat for hea. seconde
side. lin. 7. scrab tre. 48 leafe 1 side lin. 39. into Verinice.
- 49 1 39 rede draw 25 balaustium. 50 1 35 greuing. 37. rede mouthes for mottes.
- 51 1 38 rede wrinkles 52 1 44 rede wedede. 2. side 15. rake it. 42. fifty foote for fyue foote.
- 54 1 4 smotheth. 2 side, 9. crudded 19 whayishe.
- 55 1 6 put out greuus and rede, because it hath a more greuus sauor. 22. was for is.
- 56 2 18 conningest. 19. allthough 37 roote gatherers. 45 tuft.
- 57 1 27 moother: 28 rootecremers or roote pedlers.
- 59 1 26 sauin. 29. lyng. 39 elder.
- 60 1 26 had 61 1 30 rede fennes 63 2 32 rede Inede not

64 1 4 cakes. 2 side 33 rede byles for bytes. 33 oleander.
 66 1 7 clubbe. 13 wasteth. 2 side 2 dryeth up.
 67 1 2 cleia 2 17 of Alexander. 21 rede tryall of my masters iudged.
 68 1 14 rede apinum gr not opium: 28 hoter: 43 eate: 48 other: 2 side 21 whether
 69 1 2 further: 9 indented: 28 iij. kinds: 45. widd for will: 47 the less: 2 7 acetable.
 70 2 ornithogalo. 71 2 16 for dryues, rede drynes. 35. fast: 43 drew.
 72 1 1 roote for roten: 2 15. but 36 straw. 37 farr: 44 lock.
 73 2 put out Oxyacantha in the figure, for it is not Oxyacantha.
 74 1 31 rede eat and not rat. 2 grape: 3 haue also. 76 1 39 couered: 2 1 miller.
 77 1 18 mullayn. 2 14 brothe. 78 2 22 feuerfew.
 79 2 whether: 8 a purgation. 82 2 Dunghylles.
 83 2 3 burr: 41 plentius: 84 2 22 night mare.
 86 1 11 capones taylor: 16. elaphobosco. 87 1 32 whether pence: 2 1 for penki rede abies.
 88 1 22 flies. 2 15 where: 27 trees: 31 picea: 32 resinam. 36 pitys is pinus.
 89 2 1 plucked. 90 2 9 selfe. 92 2 32 confute: 44 fox, not for: 46 pulegium.
 93 2 41 spourge. 94 2 27 nyght blaynes. 95 1 12 erthly. 33 none: 2 34 world.
 96 1 33 grew. 97 1 10 weg tret not wegbret.
 98 1 2 rough. 2 10 to sounde. 44 husbandmen, not husbaumen.
 100 1 33 composition. 2 22 step, not stop.
 101 1 46. 2 2 siue. 11 capitata. 12 siues. 13 siue. 31 set them. 33 sectiua. 36 siuct.
 102 1 28 extremitie 103 5 perched. 2 10 these. 25 called.
 104 1 3 bath. 35. tysardes. 2 but binding.
 106 1 40 bignes. 43 merrish. 107 1 38 draweth.
 109 2 1 rede bringing, and not bring. 24 red an hole, and not no hole.
 110 2 18 rede gapped not grapped. 4 rede cummed not crommed.
 111 2 2 rede stancheth, and not, and stancheth. 34 for gyue rede gyuing. 37 rede they. 39 red it is
 in the second syde, put out the false latin, and set radix eleonia, radix Syriaca and Armoracia.
 112 1 22 rede twenty. 2 9 rede scour, not stoure 113 1 40 red whit flaw. 46 kingcup.
 114 1 6 Kingcup. 2 12. sort 16 shaddoish. 28 rough. 31 pismyres.
 115 1 28 also sumache. 2 1 put out the figure, for it is false. 26 agnayles.
 116 1 34 fleme. 2 17 roses. 37 springkled.
 117 10 for leaues rede redenes. 13 whils. 22 inbinding. 23 that doth. 27 curled. 43 helpers.
 119 1 2 rede or for aut. 119 ther ar also that hold stifty.
 120 1 7 the hill ida. 14 could not understand.
 121 1 23 caulo. 41 arone. 2 29 acetosa. 40 butchers. 122 2 5 gesen. 7 Zurich.
 123 1 26 pismyres. 2 31 bredeth. 124 1 26 Cinnamum. 2 1 acte. 4 acte.
 125 1 29 suet. 126 2 2 sauge. 8 warne. 127 2 13 rede is thus, for it thus.
 129 1 25 red yeares for yeare. 2 3 rede lyker for lyke, and called of Pline Sicale for called Sicale.
 130 1 22 rede groweth for greweth.
 132 1 2 rede same for lame. 16 red candy for candis. 25 red axfiche for axfiche. 2 rede Sedi tertium ge
 nus for Sedum tertium genis.
 133 1 2 rede iij. for iij. 4 rede rather for better. 10 rede in Greke because the leaues are grene, for
 in Greke the leaues are grene. 134 1 4 rede meates for heates.
 135 1 42 rede his for this. 2 32 rede ligusticum for ligustrum.
 136 1 6 rede fenegreke for fenelgreke. 137 1 21 rede of the listenes for of lykenes.
 138 1 2 rede fennes for fennes, and put out te figure that is falsly set for siliqua.
 139 2 19 rede scalle for stalke. 140 1 36 rede silaus for silans. 2 red olus atri for olus a tre.
 141 1 12 rede annicula for anicula. 23 rede hote, for heter.
 145 2 4 red torminalis for forminalis. 7 red hawes for haw. 8 red is not pleasant for is uery pleasant
 146 2 20 red Nordenie for Mordenie. 147 2 37 red nerion for merion. 44 spine for spina.
 148 1 33 rede pipridge for piridg. 41 rede to eate is spina alba Columelli.
 149 1 1 rede Rychis gardin for Richardes gardin. 150 2 13 rede slepe for shepe.
 151 1 28 rede spyder for speder. 31 rede seable for feable.

153 2 3 rede Colchester for Colichester. 9 rede tymbre for tember. 154 1 3 parke for part.
 155 2 9 rede acetable for acceptable. 30 rede flemme for lem.
 157 1 13 rede callitrichon for cellitrichon. 160 1 41 rede more for mo.
 161 1 2 rede phlomos for Gohlomos.
 162 1 12 rede leaf for leaue. 26 hierobatone for hierobaton. 32 and for an. 21. scalles for stalkes.
 165 1 9 rede to her self for her self. 22 rede panos for pinos. rede the maner of making of lime, for
 the maner of lime. 21 rede then for they. 23 rede make for male.
 166 1 22 chasing for chansing. 27 rede wrinkels for winkels.
 167 2 30 rede sheene for them.
 168 1 9 rede the rinning bushe that groweth, for the rinning bush groweth. 13 rede if it had rede
 berries that Fuchsius setteth furth, then would I, for if it had red berries, then would I. 21 red sum
 heades of lance staues, for sum heades of leaues. 38 red ampelou for ampilon. 43. rede more for mo.
 2. 35 rede panacis for panicis.
 170 1 1 rede acaliphe for acadiphe. 4. rede less for lesser.
 In the chapter of Ruscus put out the figure, for it is nothyng agreying with Ruscus.

M III. *Alliaria* Saue alone & lack of the help
Amara dulcis Better sweet
 called in Dutch *je lenger je lieber*

Saney
Angelica sativa groweth not in England saue
 only in gardens - They that would haue any
Angelica may speake to the merchants of
 Danstke who can provide them enough of
 conuoluted *angelica* (the herb preserved in honey)

Aggulegia Columbine groweth only in gardens
 in England so far as I know, wylde in Germany

Midswort
 Burnet. *Sanguisorba* This herbe is well known
 in all parts of England by the name of Burnet
 that I should but lose my labour if I should describe
 Dutch *Pumpenel* is *Pumpinella saxifraga*
Bistorta = *Herba bust.* 13.
Bursa pastoris

What is the Dorsetshire Tree

Choke weed
 Arabanche grows in
 Northumberland 88/pt 89/pt
 Ranunculus bet Mare & Barking 89/pt
 Pans of John Northumbrian
 On Monday p. 24

What is the herb in Eng
 which some call fenugre
 we are which answered
 things to the glauc of dis
 Turner p. 2. fol. 12

Brunella selfe kale
 Persicaria Cultrage
 Ribes (rubrum?) I ha
 in gardens in England & b
 Clover in Somerset
 of Master Harner.

Samolus - growth commonly in
 cold & shadowed wood & hedges

Saxifraga granulata

Sedum. Knauria Tarmunt

Valerian Veronica

Salidago Rosa solis Cowslip

& oxlip Holye lre

Fox glove groweth much in England
 specially in Norfolk about
 coney holes in sandy ground & in
 woods

Clover. Genm Ladys mantle

Wood rose or rose - or round Spargula

Gentiana groweth on Salisbury
 in Dorsetshire & Yorksh.

Agremonia Euphrasia Eye bright

Filipendula (Oenanthe)

He repeats one berry in 111 pa
 & its locality Catthorpe wood

Ostruthum called Bellitory of Sp
 Never heard that it grew in Eng.

Kali Salt wart. Devils bite

OphioGLOSSON. Lunaria

Nummularia

Perfoliata (Bupleur: I found

in great quantitie in Somerset

between Sumnerston & Marlocke

I have never heard any Englysh
 for it. I saw for lacke of other I as
 the row was

mouse eare

Winter-grene called as in Germa
 which name we must use in England
 we can find one of our own

Sperage groweth in gardens
and by the sea-side in sumptuous
on sandy hills p. 27

Arche or boures dames

Pill-corn of Sussex - 29

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Daisy = *Primula veris*

Paul's Betony - name from Paulusky

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grows on a wall. but may signify its
frequency at the walnuts.

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of this tree is excellent. 90

What is Mauddeyn p. 90

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Boletarii. a or mandamus

Starkes bill or pinkie needle

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Grass is used by Turners = worn

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leaved & stynckynge warmood is
not be. - /

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What is the Percedanum of St Vincent's

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A Booke of the natures and
properties/as well of the bathes in England as of
other bathes in Germany and Italy / very necessary for
all seik persones that can not be healed without the
helpe of natural bathes/gathered by
William Turner Doctor
of Physit.



Imprinted at Collen by Arnold Birckman/
In the yeare of our Lorde.
M. D. LXII.

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To the right honorable and

CHRISTIAN LORDE EDVWARD SENAR ERLE OF
HERFORD, VVILLIAM TVRNER VVISSHES THE PER-
FIT KNOWVLEDGE OF GODDIS HOLY VVORDE,
AND GRACE TO LYVE THERAFTER
vvith all prosperite of body and mind.



After that I had bene in Itali and Germany/ and had sene
there diuerse naturzl bathes/ and was called by youre fa-
thers grace/ at y^e tyme the Duke of Summerset/ and Pro-
tector of his Nephew King Edward the sixt/ our most Chri-
stiane Lorde and Gouverner/ in to Englande to his seruice:
after that I hard tel that there was a natural bathe within
your fathers Dukedome: I ceased not butyl I gat licence to go to se the
same bathe: whiche done/ I caried certaine diseased persones with me/
with whom I taried as long as I could/ and tryed for the shortnes of the
tyme (for I had very short tyme granted me) the nature and workinge of
it. And after being dean of Welles/ which place is not far from bathe/ and
hauing liberty to tary ther so long as I list/ I tried the same bathes a litle
further/ and found it by experience/ that they were a verye excellent tre-
sure/ but vnworthely esteemed and iudged of al men/ and namely of suche
as haue mooste plenty of other trespure/ but not to be compared with this
precious gife of God. But after that for the safegard of my lyfe/ I was co-
pelled now of late in my age to fly in to hygh Almany/ occupying the office
of a Physicion there/ was wyth diuerse seik folke in the bathes of Germa-
nye: where as I trust I learned sumthinge besyde it that I knew before/
which knowledg all thowgh the extreme niggishnes and illiberalite of
sum that had most in the tyme of my bannishment/ & the vngentle hand-
lyng of me/ of sum sence my returning in to England hath very lytle deser-
ued to haue ether in part or in hole: yet for theyrs sake that are honest and
vertuous men/ I haue writen a small treatise of the bath of Baeth here
in England/ and also because euery land byngethe not furth euery thing/
as the Poet sayeth/ and the bathes of England can not help all the disea-
ses that certayn bathes of Germany and Italy can help/ for theyrs sake
that haue old diseases and hardly curable in England/ ether by medicines
or by our bathes that we haue here: I haue gathered out of diuers lear-
ned mennis workes/ the nature and workyng of diuers of the most hol-
sum and strong workyng bathes/ which ar to be found other in Italy or
Germany/ that such men as haue mony to bear theyr costes/ may fynd re-
medy for theyr diseases there. This smal worke I geue and dedicat vnto
your Lordshyp/ as a token of the good wyll that I bear vnto you and to
your fathers hole household and family. If I shall perceyue that this pore
reward do please you/ I shall be thereby muche boldered to dedicate vnto
you both greater & more learned workes/ as my health & lesuer wil serue.
The Lord preserue you and all your brethern and systern/ Amen.
At London the xv. of Feb. In the year of our Lord 1560.

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Bath

THE NAMES OF THE LERNED
men, which write that the bathes haue the
uertues and properties, which here
after in thys boke I gyue
unto them.

Aëtius a Grecian.
A leardus an Italian.
Antonius Fumanellus an Italian.
Antonius Guainerius an Italian.
Auicenna an Arabian.
Bartholomeus de Montignana an Italian.
Bartholomeus à Clinol an Italian.
Bauerius an Italian.
Conradus Gesnerus a Germane.
Galenus a Greciane.
Gentilis de Fulgineo an Italian.
Georgius Agricola a Germane.
Gundelfingerus a Germane.
Ioannes de Dondis an Italiane.
Ioannes Driander a Germane.
Ioannes Folzius a Germane.
Leonardus Fuchsius a Germane.
Mengus an Italian.
Michael Sauonorola an Italian.
Nicolaus Massa an Italian.
Paulus Aegineta a Greciane.
Petrus de Tufsignano an Italian.
Sebastianus Munsterus a Germane.
Theophrastus Paracelsus a Germane.
Vgo Senensis an Italian.
Vgulinus an Italian.

THE NAMES OF THE BATHES
and places where they be, where
of is mention made in
this booke.

Of the bath of Baeth in the counte of
Summerfet shyre.
Of Embs bath in Germany in the bis-
shoprik of Trier.
Of VVisbat in the counte of the Erl of
Nassovv in Germany.
Of the bath of Baden in the Marcusdom
of Baden in hygh Germany.
Of the VVild bath in the Dukedome of
VVirtenberg.
Of the soure bath in the Dukedó of VVir-
tenberg.
Of the bath called Baden in Svicherlād.
Of Peppers bath in Rhetia in the biss hop
rich of Cur.
Of the Apon bath in Itali.

Of the Calderan bath in Itali in the Lord-
ship of Verona.
Of the Porret bath in Itali in the Lordship
of Bonony.

THE NAMES OF THE SIKNES-
ses, vvhich may be healed by
these bathes.

The castyng of children out, before the
devv tyme appoynted by nature.
The stoppyng of the longes & shortnes
of brethe vvhe a man cā not take breth,
except he sit ryght vp.
The hardnes and bynding of the belly,
vvhen as a man can not go to the stool
vvithout Phisik.
The Palsey vvhen as a man is quite num
all the partes of his body & hath nether
mouyng nor helyng.
Imposumes and gatheringes of humors
together vvith svvellinge.
The rinyng gout vvhich rynneth from
one ioynthe to another.
The defenes or dulnes of hearyng.
The vvyndenes or synging or tynging
of the eares.
The brusyng that cummeth by fallyng
or betyng.
The stone in the kydnes.
The stone in the blader.
Hard lumpes and svvellynges.
The Cancre.
The hede ach of a colde cause.
The hede ach of an hote cause.
The Reum or Pose or Catar.
The stoppyng of the brayn vvith euell
humores.
Scarres and foul markes of sores or vvou-
des.
The Colik.
The fallyng syknes.
Crampes and dravvynges together bra-
vynes and synevves or stretching furth
to much of the same.
The trimbling of the hart.
The foulnes of the skin and scruenes.
The puffing vp of the legges vvith vvind.
The hardnes of any place in the body.
The often and to much making of vvater
called Diabetes.
The leannes of the hole body.
Agues after the mater is made rype and
digested.

Tertian

Tertian agues. **Quartane agues.**
 Fistules or hollov or false vnder cre-
 ping sores.
 Al kindes of iss hues or flyxes.
 The sticking of yron in a bone or in the
 fleshe.
 Breking or bursting of bones.
 Membres that are made num vvith cold.
 The knobbes & hard lúpes that ar made
 by the french pockes.
 The lousnes and vvatering of the gúmes.
 The emrodes and pytes.
 The mygram or hedeach in the one half
 of the hede.
 The diseases of the lyuer.
 Bursting or breking.
 The bottel dropsey in the stomach.
 The general dropsey throw all the body,
 rynnynge betvvene the fell & the fleshe.
 The iundes or guelsought.
 The couldnes and stopping of the lyuer.
 The sciatica or hancheuel.
 The lepre vpon the skin.
 The hardnes of the mylt or the cake in
 the left syde.
 VVormes in the belly.
 Membres that ar num and fele not.
 The madnes called melancholia.
 The hurtyng of the memory, or forget-
 fulnes.
 The stopping of vvemens floures.
 The morphevv both vvhyte and blak.
 The diseases of the nose thrilles.
 The stifnes of the synevves.
 The to much moistnes of the synevves.
 The shryngkyng of the synevves.
 The diseases of the eyes.

The burnyng of the eyes.
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 The dulnes in smellyng.
 The palsey.
 The tisk or consumption in the longer.
 The goute.
 The diseases of the breste.
 The gathering together or rynnynge toge-
 ther of blood.
 Scabbes and manges.
 The iss hue of a mannis nature or sede.
 The guffhyng out of bloode.
 The cramp.
 Barunnes of man or vvoman.
 To much svvetinge.
 The diseases of the mylt.
 Numnes of any parte.
 The cramp in the nek.
 The vayn appetite of goyng to stoole,
 vvhen a man can do nothing vvhen he
 cummeth there.
 The trymblyng of any membre, vvhen a
 man can not hold it still.
 Grene or nevv vvoundes.
 Old vvoundes falsely healed.
 The vveiknes of the stomach.
 The dulnes of the ey sight.
 The dufenes or gydenes in the heade.
 Sores byles and blysters.
 The strangling of the mother.
 The falling of the mother.
 The coldnes of the mother.
 The ravvnes and scabbynes in the blader.
 For these diseases and many mo, not men-
 tioned in this Table, are shevved re-
 medies in thys booke folovving in di-
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RES, OF BATHE BRISTOVV, VVELLIS,
VVYNSAM AND CHARDE.



He most part of all flockinge byrdes/ of the whiche nombre/ are linnettes / goldfinches / sparrowes and twopes : if they chance vpon any good plenty of meat/ they ceas not locking & calling/ if they heare any of their kindes/ be it neuer so far of/ vntill they haue brought them vnto that meate whiche they haue founde/ beyng taught of their nature/ whiche almighty God grafted in them / when he shope them and made them to do so. Then how vnkind were I beyng a resonable creature/ and hauing the lesson taught me as well as byrdes/ both by the law of nature/ and by the wryten law of God in hys holy Bible/ that whensoever I gett any plenty of any good thyng/ that I shulde dele oz at the leste offer vnto other of my felowes sum parte thereof/ if that after that I had trauayled thorow Italy and Germany/ and had found there many thinges for you very good & necessary/ if I should not at the leste offer vnto you suche good thynges/ as I haue founde? whilse I studied Physick in these foresayd countres/ I saw many very holsum bathes there/ the vertues and properties wherof in healing of many soze and other wyse vncurable syknesses/ I haue learned partly by experience/ partly by reding of good wryters/ and partly by confering with the best learned men that I could finde there. The names thereof of these bathes/ the places and the vertues of the same/ leste I shoulde seme vnkinde/ haue I now declared vnto you/ in thys litle booke/ wherby after a maner/ I lock and call all you that haue any disease that can not be healed without the helpe of a naturall bathe. I haue also wryten so well as I can of the bath of Baeth in England/ to allure thither as many as haue nede of suche helpe as almighty God hath granted it to gyue. wherof that I wote of noman hath wryten one word/ that euer I could rede. wherfor if that I wyte not so perfetly of it/ as sum perfet idle ouerseers would that I shuld haue done: I trust that all honest men will pardon me/ because I had no help of any wryters that wrote of it befoze me. And because it chanseth oft tymes y diuers men goyng about to heal a curable diseas/ for lack of knowledge how to vse the ir medicines/ and by vsing of euil diet / make thesame ether vncurable/ oz ellis stere by an other much worse then the former was: for the auoyding of suche mischances/ I haue wryten at large what diet all men shall kepe in the bathes/ and how they shall prepare the selues vnto them/ and ordeine them selues after that they are cummed out of the same agayn. Furthermore because in the tyme of bathinge in certayne men/ certayn grefes and diseases aryse ether by the reason of theyr complexion/ oz of the nature of the bath/ for their sakes that haue not alwayes money to hyre a Physicio/ I haue wryten remedies against such diseases and grefes/ as commonly vse to bere men in the tyme of theyr bathinge. If that

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that I shall perceyue that ye do thankfully receyue these my laboure
ye shall haue shortly God willing an other booke of the natures
of all waters/and certayn rules how that euery man
may make artificiall bathes at home/wherby he
may both kepe and deliuer him selfe
from manye sore and greuous
Diseases. Fare well.

From Basil the X. Martij. In the
year of our Lorde.

1557.

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That I have written this book is not
for the sake of fame or of any other
of all sorts of praise and honor
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from many good and gracious
children. I am well.

From the City of London
the 10th of June 1633.

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Of the bathe of Baeth in Englande.

Although there be a very excellent and holosome bath wythin the Realm of Englande/ yet for all that/ I reken that there are manye in the North and Northwest partes of Englande/ and some in the East partes / whyche beyng diseased wyth soze diseases woulde gladiye come to the bath of Baeth: if they knewe that there were anye there / whereby they mighte be holpen/ and yet knowe not whether there be anye in the Realme or no. Wherefore I seynge that I intende to write of the vertues and properties of diuerse bathes that are in far countrees/ I thinke that it were mete before I wyte of anye fozen bath/ for sparing of greate labour and sauinge of much money/ to shewe fyrste the vertues of oure oune bathes. For if they be able to helpe mennys diseases: what shall men nede to go into farre countrees to seke that remedy there/ whyche they maye haue at home?

The bath of England is in the west countre in Summersetshire in a cite called in Latin Bathonia/ and Baeth in Englishe of the bathes/ & are in it. This cite of Baeth is xv. miles from Welles/ and xv. miles fro the noble cite of Bristow. The chese matter whereof these bathes in this cite haue theyr chese vertue and streingth/ after my iudgement is brimstone. And of my iudgemente are diuerse other/ whyche haue examined them as I haue done. When as I was at these bathes wyth a certayn man diseased in the goute/ I went in to them my selfe wyth my patiente/ and broughte furth of the place nexte vnto the spring/ and out of the bottom/ slyme/ mudde/ bones and stones/ whyche alltogether smelled euidentlye of brimstone. If that a man maye iudge the mater of the effect/ maye gather that brimstone is the only mater in these bathes/ or ellis the chese that beareth ruell in them. For they dye by wounderfullye/ and heale the goute excellentlye/ and that in a shorte tyme/ as wyth diuerse other one myles somtyme/ one of my Lorde of Summerettes players can beare witnes: whyche thynges are no lyght tokens / that brimstone beareth the chese rule/ seynge that nether by smelinge nor tastinge a man can fele no other mater or miner to reigne there. If there be anye thyng lightly manged wyth the brimstone/ whych thinge I coude not perceyue/ it muste be copper. For whyle I walked aboute the mountaynes/ out of the whyche the bathes do springe / I founde here and there litle peces of marquesites and stones / manged wyth copper/ but I could by no sense or wit perceyue/ that the bathes had anye notable qualite thereof. Then seynge that there can not be found any other miner or mater to be the chese ruler in these bathes then brimstone / we maye gather that these oure bathes are good for all those diseases/ whych all learned Physicia nes wyte/ that all other bathes/ whose chese ruler is brimstone / are good for.

Aetius writing of naturall bathes/ wherein brimstone is ether the only miner or mater of them/ or chese mater therof/ sayeth thus as foloweth hereafter. The bathes of brimstone soften the synewes/ swage the payn that a man hath in desyringe to goo ofte vnto the stoole/ and when he commeth thether/ he can ether do litle or nothyng. They scoure and clenge the skinn. Wherefore they are good for the whyte morphewe and black/ for the lepre/

*Bath is
miles from
Bristol.*

*Myles
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and for all scabbes and scurfes/for olde sores and botches/for the fallinge of humores into the ioyntes/for an hardened milt or the cake in the lefte syde/for an hardened liuer/for an hardened mother/for all kindes of palseis/for the sciatica/and for all kindes of itche or iukinge. But the bathes of brimstone hurte the stomack and mar it. Thus far writeth Aetius.

Agricola in his booke of those thinges whiche flowe oute of the earth writeth thus of bathes of brimstone. The bathes of brimstone soften the synewes/and do heate. They are good therfore for palseyes/for places ether pulled in to muche or stretched to farr furth. For the shaking and trembling of anye membre/and they swage ache. They drawe oute swellinges of the lymmes/and dryue and scatter them awaye. They are good therfore for the goute in the handes/for the goute in the fete/and for the sciatica/and all other diseases of the ioyntes. They swage also the payne of the liuer and milte/and dryue awaye the swelling of them both. They scoure awaye freckels/and heale morsewes and scabbes. But they vndo and ouerthrowe the stomack. Then seying as I sayd before oure bathes of Baeth haue their vertue of brimstone/they that are diseased in any of the aboue named diseases/may go thither/and by the help of almighty God be healed there.

When these bathes haue ben of long tyme knowen/euen aboue a thousand yeaeres/ether the vnlearnednes or the enuiousnes of the Physicioness/which haue ben in times past/is greatly to be rebuked/because ether for lack of learning knew not the vertues of these bathes/or els for enuiousnes wold not send the sik folk/whom they could no other wyse hele vnto these bathes. For as all men can tell verie fewe in times paste haue bene by the aduise of Physicioness sent vnto these bathes. But now in this our lightye and learned tyme/after that so many learned Physicioness haue so greatly commended these bathes/I doute whether the negardishe illiberalite/or the vnnaturall vnkindnes of the riche menne of Englande is more to be dysprayed/which receiuing so many good turnes of almighty God/nowe after they know that the bathes are so profitable/will not bestowe one half penny for Gods sake vpon the bettering and amending of them/that the poore sik & diseased people they resorte thither/might be better & soner holpen when as they are there. There is money inough spent vpon cockfichtinges/tenesplayes/parkes/bankettinges/pageantes & playes seruing only for a shorte tyme & pleasure oft tymes/but of priuat personess/which haue no nede of them. But I haue not hearde tell that anye riche man hath spent vpon these noble bathes/beyng so profitable for the hole comon welth of Englande/one grote these twintye yeaeres.

He that had ben in Italie and Germany/and had sene howe costly and wellfauezedly the bathes are trimmed and appoynted there in diuers and sundrye places/woulde be ashamed that anye straunger/whiche had sene the bathes in foren landes/shoulde looke vpon oure bathes. For he woulde thynke that the straunger wold accuse vs English men of these thinges/of grossnes & brutish ignorance/because we can not trim our bathes no better of vnkindnes/because we do so lightly regard so hygh & excellent gifts of almighty God/of bestly filthines/because we make no partition betwene men and the woemen/whille they are in bathing/but suffer them contrary both

Of the bath at Baeth in England.

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both vnto the law of God and man/to go together lyke vntreasonable beastes to the destruction of both body and soul of very manye.

If there be anye liberall Duke/ Earle/ Lord/ Knight/ Squyer/ or other gentle or no gentle honest man/ I wil bestow any cost vpon I bettering & amending of these bathes/ I wil for my part/ because I haue no store of other riches help I matter as far for ward as I can to my counsell which is thys.

First & before all other thynges my counsell is/ I euery bath haue an hole in the bottome/ by the whych the stophole taken out I bath should be cleged and scoured euery xxiij. houres at I lest ones/ & I I would aduise to be done at viij. of I clock at after noune/ I agaynst I morning it might be full of fresh and holsome water agaynst the tyme that the sieke folke come to it in the morninge. And so should they be a great deale soner healed of theyr old diseases/ and in lesse ieperdy in takinge of newe/ whych maye easely come vnto a man/ if he go into a bathe wherein a sieke man / namelye if he be sieke in a smitting or infectiue disease/ hath continewed.

But if that by the vnfitness of the place this can not be conuenientlye brought to passe/ I would that no man should be suffered to bath hym selfe in the fyrst bathe/ wher as the water doth fyrst spring (although it be more vertuous then all I other/ for the further of I I bathing place is from I place where the water gusheth out/ the lesse vertue it hath) but in other whyche are deriued & drawen out of the principall bath. For I thynke it were necessary/ that there shoulde be drawen out by pretty canales or condites a good nombre of bathes or cisternes/ whych I would should be euerye one seuerallye deuided from an other. But in any wyle I counsell that these seconde bathes brought oute from the principall / haue suche an hole as I spake of before/ that ones in xxiij. houres at the leaste the foule water maye be let oute / and freshe maye come into them agaynst the morninge/ when the syke folke shall go into them.

It were also mete that euery bathe had a coueringe aboue it/ or at the lest it should be so bylded / that in the tyme of foul wether it mighte be couered. Notwithstanding I would that such places would be open/ I the vapores myght go oute/ lesse they that haue euell heades/ be hurte with the vapores whych are to muche holden in. I thynke also that it were necessarye / that certayn loftes shoulde be bylded ryght ouer som parte of I fyrst or principall bath/ that honest women & other which would not gladly be sene in I bathes/ might euer haue as oft as they nede freshe water drawen vnto them thorow an hole/ where wyth they maye bathe the selues in vesselles of wode made for that purpose prouided wyth all forsyghte / that not one drop of the water/ whych they in the loftes haue occupped/ fall not in agayn to the principall bath/ but be conueyed out by som other conuenient waie.

For the bringing of this mater surely to passe/ it were beste that I loftes should be so bylded/ that only a bucket mighte go doune into the bathe/ the reste of them beyng quyte wythoute the compasse of the bathe / sauinge that litle portion / whereby water maye be drawen by thoroowe/ to serue them that are in them. And suche one place myght be deuised to drawe water by thoroow that it might serue for half a dosen chābr̄es aboue or mo. This were also necessarye I in one of the bathes shoulde be bylded ouer the hottest

Of the bath at Baeth in England.

place that there is a litle house after the manner of a scaffold/very nere vnto the water/after such manner that the hote vapores myght strike hote vpon certayn places of mannis body. For this manner of receyving of the hote vapores is muche better for som kindes of dropsies and goutes/then the water it selfe is. Therefore this thing ought not to be forgotten. This were also necessary/that not only certayn seuerall bathing places should be appoynted for weomen alone/but also that other should be appoynted for such persones seuerally/as are like in smitting infectuous or horrible diseases.

Furthermore because almighty God hath shapen & made herbes / stones / gūmes / metalles & medicines of diuerse other thinges / principally for mā / it is to be thought & his will is & y same should som tyme serue such creatures of his / as man can not wel want. Wherefore as it is wel done & herbes & medicines made of diuerse other thinges / should be geuen vnto & bestes & seruē vs / so I thinke & it were not amisse / if & we made & bathes after they haue serued man / for whom they were principally made / seruē also to help horses. For performing wherof I would wishe & one or if bathes in som conuenient place might be drawen out from one or two of the hottest bathes / and the wold I haue so deuised / that the horses that haue diseases in the legges and ioyntes / might stand in the bath almoste vnto the belly / and that other that haue other diseases / might stand hygher in the water / whych thyng maye easelye be brought to passe / if that two holes be made woth stopholes / the one hygher / and the other lower / that a man maye set the horse as depe or shalowe as he list / the water increasynge or decreasynge accordynge to the holdinge in or lettynge out of the water.

I thinke verely that the bath of bymstone within the space of a moneth wil heale splentes / spauines / and all knobbes / hard lumpes and swellinges / if they be not verpe olde / frettynge or founderinge facies or fashones / and al such like disease that are without / if the horses by the aduise of a cunning horseleche haue geuen them conueniente drinckes them before they come to the bath / and orden for them such emplasters and pouders as are mete for them to vse in the bathynge tyme / but whylle they stande restinge them selues oute of the bathe. And my aduise is that they that haue not muche money to bestowe vpon horseleches / that they laye in good quantite the tyme and groundes of the bathe vpon the soze places of the horses all that tyme that they are oute of the bathe / restinge them in the stable betwene one bathynge tyme and an other. But I woulde not that anye man shoulde vnderstande me here that I woulde not that the horse shoulde be exercised in theyr bathynge tyme / for that is not my meaninge / for I would that a horse shoulde be as well exercised as a man / and so muche more as he is stronger then a man / excepte the diseases be in his sete / and then are they more measurable to be exercised. As for the diet whyche men shoulde kepe at this bath of Baeth / it shall be taught amongst other generall ruelles in the end of this booke.

*Of the Embs bath besyde Confluence in the diocese of Trier,
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In the diocese of Triuer about four English miles from Confluence vpon the other syde of the RENE/amongest a greate sorte of hyghe hylles in a balley by a litle riuer syde/ is a fayre and well fauored bath called Embs bath. There are as I do remembre thre springes/and of euery one/maketh a bathyng place/whyche is very well couered aboue. And there are chambres inough wpth beddes in them nere the bathes/where in men maye quickly go into/after that they be bathed.

The miner or mater that thys water rynneth thorow/where of it hath hys vertue/is Brimstone/ alum/and as Diander writeth salt. But when as I was there in serching for the chese miner/that shoulde geue the chese strength vnto the water/ I percepued that there was muche alum/som brimstone/and as far as I could gather som mixture of yron/rather then of salt:for I coule percepue by no wit that I had/anye token of salt there.

The vertues and properties of these Bathes.

These bathes are good to heat and to drye the cold and moyst ioyntes/and to scoure them from scume:wherfore they are for the wild or rinning goute/for the vnselinge and slepinge members.

They are good for the palley/for the colick/for the flire/ and for the stone in the kidnees.

They warme a womannis mother / wherfore they will make wemen fruytfull/if they be let blood in the mother beyn before/and be wel purged of suche humores/as are the hinderance of conception.

They are good for old & cold sores/ for al kindes of scabbes & scuruiues.

These bathes are wpth lesse then two dayes iorney of the noble and famous citey of Colon/where as a man is disposed to come to Embs bath/maye prouide himselfe there of all thinges necessary/both concerning medicines/and also concerning good biere/if any man can no drinke in the bathyng tyme anye wine. There may also a man haue good counsell of learned phisicioness:where of ye shall fynde no store/after ones that ye are passed from Colon. Therefore it were wisdome to prouide you of all these forsayde thinges before ye go out of Colon/for although Confluence be a good citey/ yet ye maye misse of all the forsayd thynges/when as ye haue moste nede of them/if ye bringe them not wpth you.

Of the Bath called in Duche VVeisbaden, that is the whyte Bath.

In the diocese of Mentz wpthin the Lordshippe of the Earle of Passow are bathes/whyth were ones called *Therma mattiacæ* in Latin/and now in Duche Weisbaden. They are thre litle English miles from Mentz vpon the other syde of the RENE. The mater or miner that geueth these bathes theyr chese strength / is brimstone w a litle alum and salpeter. One of these bathes is so hote that a man maye scald hennes and pigges/and seth egges in it. Therefore it is verye euell for them that are choleric and of an hote complexion.

Of the Bathes of Baden in hygh Germany.

The nature and vertues of these bathes.

These bathes are good for stiffe synewes.

They heate muche membes that are foundre or fretished wryth colde/ and bringe them to theyr naturall heate agayne.

They heale wonderfullie scabbes and olde sores/ and wrythin a shorte tyme dbye by such humores as fall vpon the ioyntes.

Of the bathes in the Markisdome of Baden in hygh Germany.

The bathes of Baden in high Germany are in the Markisdome of Baden betwene the famous flode the Rhen/ and the black or mar-
tian wod. The toun and hole countre haue theyr names of these bathes. These bathes are so hote that they will seth egges harde/ & scalde swyne and heimes/ so that the here and fethers will lightly come of. And yet for all that/ as certayne writers beare witnes/ a man can not get the hole profit or fruyte of these bathes in lesse space then sixe or seuen weekes. Because the bymestone beareth so mall ruel. These bathes haue muche salpeter and alum/ and som bymestone in them. But I coulde marke no token at all of bymestone/ when I was there/ and I coulde perceyue no great lyke tyhod of any alum there.

The vertues of these Bathes.

These bathes are good for them that are shortwinded and are stopped in theyr brestes and longes/ and can not take theyr bryth/ excepte they sit or stand right by. They are good for all the diseases of the ioyntes/ as for the hand euell/ for the foote euell/ and for the sciatica/ or the payne whych is in the huckel bones/ if the diseases come of a colde cause.

It is good for the dropsey/ and namelye for the fyrste two kindes/ that is for the hole dropsey that runneth ouer the hole bodye/ and the bottel dropsey whych is about the stomack. And I iudge that the vapoure/ smoke or bryth of it is also good for the thyrde kinde/ called the tympane. And so is the mudde or claye that is in the bottome of it/ layd vpon the swelled place and dyled by ether in the hote sonne or ellis agaynste a warme fyre.

It is good for the cold diseases of the mother/ and for them that are bered wryth the whyte floures.

They are good for bareyne women that can not conceyue/ as it hath bene oft tymes knowen by experience.

It is good for all old sores and all diseases of the skynne/ as for scabbes/ scurf/ and maungines/ and suche lyke diseases.

It is good for them that haue anye tremblinge membe/ and for suche membes as are num or slepe as som calleth them.

It is good for the crampe and for all colde diseases and moyste of the synewes.

It is good for them that are oft combred wryth the synginge in theyr eares.

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Of the wilde Bathes.

It is good for them that haue a colde and moyst stomach/and therefore haue euill digestion.

It is good for them that are diseased in the milt or leuer/if the siknes come of a cold cause and a moyst.

It is good for the that are diseased with the stone/and for suche as haue any knoppes or hard swellinges vpon any membre.

It is good for them that haue theyr legges blowen or puffed by wyth wynde.

It is good also for old seares and markikes or foul spottes/ whych haue commed ether by strypes or of woyndes or sores or hyles.

And althougth thys bath be very good for all these forenamed diseases/ yet it is most commended for healing of the goute in the fete.

This bath is not farre from Argentine/ otherwyse called Strasburge/ where as both good counsell maye be hadd of learned Physicianes/ and also good stoor of all good medicines/necessarye for all maner curable diseases.

Of the wilde Bathes.

In the Dukedome of Wirtemberg/ not farre from a towne called Chalb/ is a bath called wild Bathes/ of a great wild wodde called in Duche Schwartzwalde/ in Latin Sylua martiana/ and the same is the hygher part of the great wilderness/ called of the old writers Hyrcinia Sylua. These waters haue theyr strength of bymestone/ salte and alum. Some do thynke that there is som copper myngeld with the forsayd matters. Golden finger one that hath writen of this bath/ sayth that it is warme and not hote/ because they haue but littel bymestone and salpeter naturall. Yet for all that/ by this reason they seame to haue muche bymestone/ because they will dispatche a man in xiiiij. dayes of suche diseases as they are ordeined of God to heale. Ioannes Folsius one that wrote also of thys bath/ sayeth: That a man shoulde sitt in this bathe at the fyrst but a shorte whyle/ and that by littell and littell/ so maye increase 5 houres of sittinge in it/ and that a man maye sit in it ten houres. But I thynke ten houres are a great deale to manye/ excepte a man haue a verye stronge nature.

The vertues of this Bath.

This bath is good for all diseases of the heade.

Ii It is good for the crampe/ for the palsey/ and for the nummes of any membre.

iii It is good for the singinge in the eares.

iiii It is good agaynst the stoppage of the milt and liuer.

v It is good for the dropsey and for the iaundes or guelsought.

vi It is good for the stone both in the kidnees and also in the bladder.

vii It is good for them that haue losse theyr appetite/ and haue ether none at all/ or small desyre to eate.

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Of the Soure bathe.

liij It is good for the brayne to scoure it of all suche humores as byede diseases in it.

But thys bathe as the learned phisicioness that dwell not farre from it/ haue experience of the properties of it/ holde that it is moze mete and hol- some for men/ then for weomen.

Of the Soure bathe.

In the Dukedom of Wirtenberge in Swaberland at Goppingen/ there is a bathe/ whyche is called in Duche Saur brunn/ that is in Englishe Sour brun/ because the water of the bathe is soure. Fuchsius sayeth/ that there is som bymstone in it/ but nether he nether anye other wyrtter that I can rede of/ sheweth anye other miner or matter whyche gyueth thys soure taste in to the water. As yet I haue not ben there to trye what matter is mixed woth the bymstone/ wherfore I can not vndoutedlye tell what mat- ter it is. But I reken in my mind it is Alum/ whych in other bathes/ where it is much/ geueth such a cast vnto them.

The vertues of the bathe.

- i This bath is good for members out of ioynte.
- ii It comforteth and strengtheneth the stomack.
- iii It is good for the dropsy / and for the iaundes and for corrupte and rotten humores.
- iiij It is good for the troublesome colik.
- v The water of this bath dronken/ killeth woormes.
- vi Some wyters holde that this bathe is good for a tertian Ageue/ and that it maketh a man haue a good appetite.
- vij The water of this bathe dronken in great quantite/ hurteth no man/ as the report is/ and therfore manye that dwell aboute it/ carpe great tum- fulls of it awayne/ and drinke it in theyr houses.

*Of the bath called Baden in Schwicherlande out of
Sebastian Munster.*

Baden is a toun in Schwicherlande by the ryuer called Lyma-
gus / so nere vnto Zurich the head toun of Schwicherlande/ that a man maye go from the bath to it in the space of foure hou- res. Beneth the whyche toun of Baden springe by diuerse and manye welles and springes/ whyche are so goodlye and pleasant/ that I ne- uer sawe in anye place moze pleasaunte and moze inhaunted then they be. Thys place was knowen in the tyme of Cornelius Tacitus/ and before his tyme/ for he maketh mention of it after this maner. It is a goodly pleasant place/ and hath holsome waters / and a wondrousfull stronge castell besyde the riuer that renneth by. Note well springes gusche oute both on this syde/ and on the farther syde of the floude/ and in the floude. The heat in y spring is so great/ that if thou be naked/ thou canst not abyde it.

Dute

Out of Henrichus Gulden finger, who wrote also of this bathe.

The toun of Baden standeth by the floude Lindemacus in a pleasant place/and in an holssome aper/and there is plenty inough of al thinges. The streingth of bymestone doth beare chese rule in the bathes/that are aboute thys toun/and I thynke there is a small deale of alume menged with the bymestone. They are holssomm st in Maye and in June. They are not chaunged or altered wyth any changes of tempestes of the aper/be they neuer so great. Yet are they hoter in winter then in somer. In the Springe and in Authume or in the later heruest they scatter muche bymestone abrode. It that swimmeth aboue/whyther it come presentlye/or after the maner of sinamootes/or of ashes if it be gathered and caste into the fyre/it will burne.

The vertues of these Bathes.

These bathes are good for the brayne/if the nape of the necke and y^e hinder parte of the head be bathed and dipped in them.

- ii They are good for y^e eye syght/ & they take away y^e diseases of y^e eyes.
- iii They remedy hard hearinge/and dryue awaye the syngkinge of the nosethrylles.
- iiii They restore agayne the smellinge that is losse/ and heale all the syknesses of the heade.
- v They heale remnes and catharres/and waste awaye humores that cleue toughlye and fast vpon the tonge/in the palate of the mouth/ and in the weland.
- vi They deliuer the stomack from lothsomnes/and help digestion.
- vii They open the stoppings of the bowels and inward parties.
- viii They take awaye the paynes & weerynnes of y^e kidnees & y^e loynes.
- ix They drye the fleshe and heat it much aboue it that it had wont to be.
- x They tyme or empye out euell humores/and namelye suche as go betwene the fell and the fleshe.
- xi They clenfe all scabbes/scurffe and iche.
- xii They lighten them that are burdened wth flegmatick humores.
- xiii They helpe also them y^e haue y^e falling siknes/or the running out or the handgout or fotegout/of the sciatica/if they be commed of a colde cause.
- xiiii They are euell for all kind of faundise/and tneim that haue anye kind of goute that commeth of an hote cause. In all diseases that these bathes heal/they are better for weomen then for men.
- xv They helpe wonderfully weomen to conceyue chyldren.
- xvi They are good for the strangling/stopping & fallinge of the mother.
- xvii They heal all kinde of woundes and brusinges/ whether they come by falling or by stripes.
- xviii They are good for y^e burstling of sinewes & the shrinkinge of the same.
- xix They dryue away scarres and blew marks of woundes.
- xx They heale the morpheu and preferue a man from the leprosy y^e is like to come/ but if it be come allredy/it maketh it worse. xxi Other wyters say y^e these bathes are good for y^e strangurie/ for y^e colde cough/ for the whyte floures

Of the bathe called Baden in Schwicherland.

floures of weomen/for olde agues that come of flemme and melancholye/and
for the flowynge of an humoz from the head to the shulder.

What Diet is to be kept in these bathes out of Gulden finger.

Ye must not vse these bathes excepte youre bodye be fyrste purged in a
say: wether and an holosome. If that mennis bellis that bathe them/
be drawen in toward the back/then is there good hope/but if they be puff-
fed vp and bowne or be greued wpyth gnawynge/that is an euell token.
Ye muste continue in thys bathe euerye daye seuen houres/foure houres
before diner/and thre after diner / so that a conueniente tyme maye go be-
twene the seconde bathynge and the diner tyme/that the bellye in the mea-
ne tyme maye be well refreshed and stretched oute. Whyles ye are in the
bathes/ye must nether eate nor drinke/ nor slepe.

I counsell leane and weake men/ that they abyde not longe in the ba-
thes. They that are lustye as I sayd before/maye tarye foure houres before
diner/and thre houres after diner. And weomen that are colde of comple-
xion and not thurstye/maye tarye in the bathe viij. or ix. houres euery daye.
After thys maner of taryng in the bathe/thou shalt nede no tary no lenger
then xv. dayes at the moste. But if any will tarye lenger tyme as twintye
dayes or mo / then muste he tarye in the bathe fewer houres/then I haue
spoken of.

Bannish all heuines/penspuenes/and sadnes away/ and refreshe youre
selfe wpyth honest myrthe.

After that ye haue taken a sober diner/ye must walke in some pleasaunt
place/whylse the meate go doune to the botome of the stomack.

The broth of stewed hennies/seasoned wpyth spices/is good meat in au-
tunne or in the later haruest.

All kinde of pulse as beanes / peasen / phaselles and ciches/are to be
eschewed/but the broth of them maye be partelye alowed/and namelye of
ciches and husked peasen:the brothes of the other if nede do not require/ I
would not haue greatlye bled. Ye must forbear from fruytes and chesc / ex-
cept ye vse any of them at a tyme for a medicine.

Youre wyne must be cleare and well belayd/accordinge vnto the tyme
of the ycare/and the strength and weakenes of the wyne.

Ye must forbear from cleare water bnmenged wpyth wyne.

Ye must washe nether youre head/ nor anye other parte of youre bodye
wpyth anye other water then that whych is drawen out of the bathes.

After that ye haue departed from the bathes/ye must not within ix. da-
yes go into any sweating or bath stoue.

*Of the incommodities and commodities of this bath out of
Conrade Gesner, a man well learned and
borne very nere vnto it.*

That these bathes do hurte diuers/ that chaunseth ether by the reason of
there diseases/whereunto the bath is not naturally geuen to heale / or
if it be

If it be fit for the diseases/ it cometh by euell & wanton diet/ which is muche more hurtful then at home. For both their poures and strength are resolued awaye wth the bath/ & rawe humores are caried hastelye into the beynges of to muche meat and drinke/ or els of such as is taken out of season/ and euill humores gathered ether of euill dist/ or of meates of euill substance are the more spedelye caried into the harte/ and other principall me^mbers by the heat of the bath made to flowe/ or els are melted into them.

The most parte hauing no regard nether vnto the time nor vnto mesure gluttenously eat both in the bath and out of it/ and for their pleasure drinke daylye diuerse kindes of wines/ and drinke wyth theyr cōpanyons for their pleasure excessiuelye wyne/ and that vnmenged/ but also milke/ whaye/ and colde water/ flowyng out of the well or riuer/ or warme oute of the bathes. Some eat fruyte both good and badde/ and all that euer cometh to hand. Many not accustomed to wyne at home/ or els very litle/ beyng well exercised/ when they come to the bathes/ drinke it plentiuouslye wythout exercise/ and so are sodenly filled. Some other for nygardnes/ or for pouertye when they come to the bathes/ eat euell and vnholsome meates/ because they are good cheape/ and then beyng vnerercised as they hadde wont to be/ make much euill humores and euill blood/ whyche thynge maketh many fall into wo^rse diseases at the bath/ then they broughte wyth them thither. Some there be whych lyke vnto duckes/ continue day and night in the bath/ ether no tyme or very small goyng betwene theyr meat taking and theyr goyng in to the bath agayne.

Wherefore it is no wounder that many euen at the bathes/ or not longe after they be commed home/ fall into colikes/ eye sores/ and agues/ and diuerse suche like diseases. I heare saye that in diuers circles or goynges aboute of yea^res/ the nature of the bathes is sharper. When I was in these bathes/ I marked that manye mennis eyes were hurte/ and broughte to greate heate/ and the reporte was that the nyynth yea^re before that the same thynge chaunsed. But the moste parte were shortelye healed/ euen beyng yet at the bathes.

The custome of this oure tyme is/ that the commune sorte of men shulde tarpe in these bathes a moneth/ and that riche folke abyde longer/ and to sit manye houres in the bath. And they are not content to haue their byper skinne to be broughte of ones. to be healed agayne/ but twyse or thysle they will haue so. My councell is that accordinge to the diuersite of the sicknes/ agues/ strength/ and other circumstaunces/ that some shoulde abyde but fewe dayes in the bath/ other many dayes/ some to haue there skinne blistered ones/ and other twyse or oftter/ but that some be not ones. As touchinge the drynkinge of the water of the bath/ I woulde alowe but fewe to drinke it/ except it be dronken/ scarcely to quench thurst/ which thing the hote water that commeth out of the pipes will do. Perchaunce it might be good for the diseases of the breste/ but it weakeneth both the ouerparte and netherparte of the stomack/ and enlargeth to much som mennis kidnees and bellies/ that somtyme they put furth grosse matter/ and somtyme bloode. Som drinke the water to make them go to stoele/ but they must drinke it in greate plentie/ and walke after it.

The

Of the Pepper bathe.

The opinion of the common people is foolish/whyche holdeth that all diseases that are taken in the bathe/maye be holpen by the bath agayne. For although it maye chaunce that the bath bewraye and bringe oute some diseases/whyche before lurked and were hyd in the bodye/and afterwarde maye waste by the matter of the same diseases/euen as the falling sicknes is both bewrayed and also healed by the same medicines/pet for all that manye diseases may arise in the bathinge tyme by yll diet/whyche the bath can neuer heale. The commyne people holdeth that men haue bled this bath longe inough/when as a litle water is put vpon the holow parte of their handes/is strapte waye dyed by. But if any entring into the bath euen at the first entringe thynke for a space that he is burned or bitten/and a litle whyle after wareth colde/it is thought wysdome for him to leaue of bathynge: because he ether hath bath inough/or els to muche.

Of the Pepper bathe.

Pepper bath is called of the hyghe Almaynes Pfefferbad / and of some Latin writers Therme fabarie. This bath is in the lande of Rhetia/in the diocese of Cure / about ten miles from the fyrste springinge of the Rhene. This bath doth not springe all the yeare thoroowe / but at certayne tymes/for they springe oute wyth the herbes/as Munster in his Cosmography writeth/and departe awaye agayn into the earth wyth the same. And Fuchsius sayeth that this bath beginneth to springe euery yeare the thyrde dape of May/and goeth into the earth agayn the fourth dape of September. The miner and matter that this water rinneth ouer and thoroow/whereof it taketh his strength and vertue is gold/ bymstone/and naturall salpeter.

This bathe is in comparison of other bathes milke warme/and of suche metely warmenesse/that they that bath in it/neither are cold/nor yet sweat for heate. Wherefore it is not unlike to be true that Guldensinger and Fortzius do write/that it is good both for colde and hote complexions / and for all agues. Some are dispatched of their diseases here in fixe dayes/some in ten/som in twelffe/and other in longer tyme/accoordinge vnto the diuersities of mennes natures/bringinge by/and diet kepte there/and after the nature of the diseases that men come to be heales of. For some disease require a longer tyme then other do.

The vertues of this Bathe.

- i It is wondrously good for the head ache.
- ii It strengtheneth the memoire.
- iii It sharpeneth both a mannis hearinge and seying/ and maketh them much better.
- iiii It taketh quite awaye the stoppage of the synewes and brayne.
- v It is good for the leping goutte/that rinneth from one ioynte to another/and for the handeuell and fote euell.
- vi It is also very good for bones that are broken to comforte them/and to strein-

to strengththen them/and to minish suche acke as commeth of them.

viij Guldenfinger writeth also that it is good agaynst the wanton lust of the body/because it swageth it wonderfullye.

viij It is good for scarres and blewe marches/ and for clumpered blood that is runne together.

ix It is good for them that haue ache in their bones/and iointes/ and o- ther places/by the reason of falling or beasing or busynge/as some old soldy- ars and hoysmen haue.

x It is good for woundes that are depe in ether made with arrowes or gunnes/ or for woundes that are to sone or wrong falsely healed/and are vnder the fleshe partely vnhеaled/for it maketh such breake out agayn/ and maketh them ready to be healed agayne perfectlye.

xi It is good for the trembling or shakinge of any part of a mans body.

xii It is good for the crampe.

xiii It is good for old agewes/and namely for an old quartane.

xiiii It is good for the palseye and the falling sicknes.

xv It is good for the fire to the chamber pot/called of the beste Physici- anes Diabetes/ that is when a man maketh water oft and much/euen all- most of the same coloure/that the drinke is that he hath receyued/ and hath therewith an vquenchable thirst.

xvi It is good for the stone in the kidnes / and for diuerse other diseases both in the kidnes and bladder also.

xvii It is good for old sores that are on the legges.

xviii It is good for scabbes/ scurffe/and all kindes of maungines.

xix It is good for false woundes and fistules/and for Cankers.

xx It is good for inflammations/burninges & impostumes of y pappes.

xxi It is good for such sores as are made wyth the Frenche pockes.

xxii It is good for membles that are out of ioynte.

xxiii It is good for al partes of the body that are fretished/foudered/ and made numme wyth colde.

xxiiii It is also good for digestion.

Hytherto haue I writen of the bathes that are in England and in Ger- many. But now because there are certayne bathes in Italye/ whiche haue the nature and power to heale certayne diseases / that ether none in Eng- land nor Germanye is able to do/or els can in shorter tyme or more surelye helpe/then they of England and of Germanye are able to do. I will also for the loue that I beare vnto my contrey men/wryte of the most famouse and holisomest bathes/for healinge of straunge diseases and hard to heal/ that are in all Italye.

Of the bath called Aponus or Ebanus out of

Michael Sauonarola.



He bath of Apon or Eban is v.italian miles from the city of Pad- waye/in the costes of the land therby/called Ebanum. That land was ones great and mightye placed besyde hilles / in whose play- nes

Of the bath called Aponus or Ebanus

nes there is an hillock or littel hill standinge by wyth no great heigth / oute of which spring diuers littel brokes or burnes / whych make manye bathes. For the water of the fyrst springe in goyng doune / so abateth his heate / that men may bath them selues in it. But that place is farre from valleyes / and compassed round about with fruytfull ground / and is fre on euery syde / sauuing that towarde the west it is a littel couered with S. Daniels moun-
tayne. Howbeit that is but an hillock of small heigth. Doubtlesse it is a place and dwellinge agreyng wyth mans helth / and very delitefull / which thing had not nede to be vnloked to of them that shoulde entre into anye bathes. Met is the place windye / wherefore when the bathers are bathed / and go furth of the bath / let them stande well couered / and close from the wind / lest the ayer entre in and hurte them / whyke they poores are as yet open. But the water running from that spring and bathes hyther and thither / and in some places holde in hooles / doth alter and changeth the ayer / which thing is oft the cause / that some running to the bathes / and kepe no good ruell / fall syke thereby / of whych thyng I shall speake moze hereafter.

*Of the Miner or Min matter that beareth the cheferule
in this bath out of the same author.*

Aristotel in hys boke of the propertye of the Elementes amongst other bath marked two thinges / wherby the miner or metall / or vayne of a bath may be knowne / that is to wete / by the coloure and by the tast. As for the knowyng by stilling that shall be spoken of her after. The water of this bath is knowen to be salte and alumish / and haue some part of bymston as may by sight be well perceyued som Deale of alhes. For as it runnes doune by the stony canales and littel riuers / that are brought out from his dreggy parte / the most part is found alumish and salt / and a small part bymstonish. For although a saffronish coloure appere bymstonish wythout in these places / as these diuerse coloures are sene / so are in y raynbow sene thre colours one saffronish / another rede / and the thyrde grene. If ther were much bymstone / the bymstone shoulde haue much clammynes / and shoulde haue moze of the yelow colour / then any other minerall / whiche we set not to be so. w^he as also of all other minozallis bymstone hath the strongeste sauour / if there were any such / we shoulde to our smelling smell it / which thinge we can not do. For in suche bathes wherein bymstone beareth the rule / these two thinges are perceyted there / a yelow colour / and the smell of bymstone / as a mā may playnly find in the bath of Petriol and Cirilia / a such other like. Wherfore I wil not say that these haue bymstone / bearing y chefe ruel / but alume & that there is moze salt in them / then bymstone. The best tyme of goyng in to these bathes / is from the beginninge of May / vntill the middest of June. The constitution of which tymes he that will be bathed / must marke / that it be not to hote / nor to colde / nor to windye / nether to raynye. Whiche thinges do not only alter and chaunge the water of the bathes / but also the mā / wherby it chaunleth oft tymes / for lacke of regarde vnto these / many fal oft tymes sicke / and many tymes dye. And it is also good tyme to vse these bathes / from the middest of August / vnto the ende of September.

And

And suche a bath is moſte to be comended/whyche lieth open to þ' ayer/
whose vapores blowe abroad/and are purged wyth the heate of the ſunne/
and ſo made good/where as mens heades ache not by the meanes of pen-
ned or cloſed in vapours/are hurte.

And if it be an unſufferable raigne / windye or colde wether / then it
ſhall be good to carye of the water of the bath into a chamber / and there to
bath you in a tonne/and if nede require to make a good fyre there. And this
rule is not only to be kepte in this bath when nede requireth/ but alſo in all
other ſuche lyke.

I hold alſo that the water of any bath caried in tonnes far of/ ether bath
kttel or no ſtreingth in compariſon of it/ that is in his naturall place.

Thys is alſo my counsell/ that men ryne not to the vſynge of bathes
for euerye light cauſe/ but only for ſuche diſeaſes as almoſte the Phiſicion
diſpaire of.

The vertues of this Bathe.

The nature of thys bath is very hote and drye/wherefore it is good to
take the water of it/and to poure it doume vpon the mouldes of þ' hea-
des of them that haue a moyſt and a colde catar.

ij It is good for them alſo that haue their beſtes full of moyſture and
hurte wyth colde.

iii It is good for them that haue a moyſt ſtomak/and the Dropley & win-
dmes or vpblooyng in the bellye.

iiii It is good for ſwellinge of the milke/to take it quite awaye.

v It is good for old frettinges gnawyn wild/and rinning ſores/for tet-
ters and ring wormes/for ſcabbes and ſcurffines/and all kindeſ of maungi-
nes/as we haue learned oft by experience.

vi It is good for the ache of the ioyntes/and for the goute whyche com-
meth of a cold and moyſt cauſe.

vii This bath is good for them that haue anye bone broken and growen
together agayne/for it ſterketh and ſtrengtheneth verye muche the broken
place/and ſetteth the ioyninge faſter together.

viii The water of this bath louſeth the bellye/and bringeth fourth tough
humores. And the commune meaſure is from one pounce vnto thre. How-
beit halfe a pound will purge as it hath ben proued : where it is dronken/ it
troubleth the ſtomack much/and maketh men vomit. Wherefore it were bet-
ter to take thys water in by a cliſter.

ix This bath is alſo verye good to ſtoppe the whyte floures/ and for the
mother that is to muche moyſte wyth manye louſe humoures / whereby is
hindered conception. And thys bath wyth hys vapoures and ſmoke alone
receyued accordingly into the mother/ doth rectifye it/and diſpoſeth it / and
prepareth it to conception. In the tyme of Cermylon/a certayn woman be-
ynge baren twelſſ yeaeres/by the counsell of him came and vſed this bathe/
and ſhortely after conceived.

Hether to I haue written of theſe bathes after the minde of Sauinoro-
la who doth not deny/ but þ' all þ' bathes about Padway are of one nature.

Of the Miner or Min matter.

Then when as the excellent learned man Iohannes de Bondis/ whom also Sauinozolla doth hyghly commend/ writeth thus as I shall here after declare of all the bathes of Padwaye in general/ he geueth also the properties folowynge vnto the bathes of Alpon. His wordes are these.

The bathes of Padwaye therfore are good for al cold and moyst diseases of the heade/ as are the drusye euill/ the great forgetfulness and catharres coming of colde causes.

They are good for the palsey/ for the setting of the mouth awaye/ for the moyst crampe/ for the necke that is stretched to far one way with the crāpe or is made stiffe therewith. For nummes of membres/ and for membres that for cold haue almost lost all felinge.

They are good for all moyste and waterye diseases of the eyes and the eares/ wherefore they are good for watering eyes/ and for the dymnes of syghte/ that commeth of to muche water fallen into the eyes. For the swelling of the eares/ and for dulnes of hearinge that commeth of flegmaticke and moyste and colde humoures.

They are also good for them that can not perfectly smell.

They are good for the toth ach/ for y teth that are on edged/ for the colde and chyllinge of the teth/ for the rustines of the teth/ for the softnes of the gummes/ for the wastynge by of the colde and moyste humoures that falleth vnto them.

They are good for the swellinge of the iawes/ of the throte and of the vuula.

They are good for the diseases of the longes and winde pipe or throppel and for all cold and moyst diseases of the brest/ and especially for the catar or reume/ for hoysenes/ and shortwindines comming of colde causes.

They are good for fearfulness of the hart/ and for the much panting and trembling of it/ if they come of cold and moyste causes.

They are good for the lousnes and to muche softnes of the pappes & for their vnreasonable bignes/ for to muche plentye of milke/ and they are good agaynst the waterishnes/ and to muche synenes of the same.

They are good for the lousnes & slawnes of y stomack/ for the weknes of y same/ & for an euill appetite/ & an euill digestion/ and the slipperines of y stomack whych maketh that it can not well holde any meat.

They are good for the weakenes of the guttes and the to much slipperines of them/ for the fire/ slippery fire/ and for colde and windye diseases of the guttes.

They are good for the fallinge down of the guttes and for the Emrodes that come of moysture.

They are good for cold men and weomen that by the reason of to much coldnes and moysture can haue no childer.

They are good also for the bursting y commeth of to much moystries.

They are good for them that are to fatt and fleshye/ for it will make the leaner/ if they vse it in dewe tyme/ wyth good Diet accordyng vnto the order of Physick.

The water of thys bath is good to be dronken/ to scoure the stomack and the guttes/ and to minish the greatnes of the milke and the liuer/ and to deliuer them from stoppynge.

If anye

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rbij If anye man be disposed to drinke of these waters/lette hym vse thys manner. Let hym drinke the water fastinge in the morninge warne / and so warne as he can take it for hurtinge of hym selfe wyth the heate of it. And lette hym beginne at the fyrste wyth a littel/and so go forward by degrees vntill he maye receyue a iust or sufficient quantite.

rbiiij They that woulde vse the smooke or vaperouse ayer of this water/ they must let a littel celle or littel chambze be made aboue the hottest part of the bath/that the vapoure and smoke may stryke right by/ vpon suche places as had nede of them. Thys kinde of perfuminge and receyuinge of the ayer of the bathes prouoketh sweate mightelye / and bringeth furth in plentye waterish humoures/ whych are in the body/and it is of more might then is the bathinge it selfe in the water/and worketh more easelye. Doubtlesse thys kinde of perfuminge is a singuler remedye to melte and dryue awaye the waterishnes of the droppe/for all weakerye diseases of the ioyntes/and for to make them lener that are to fat and to grosse.

Of the Calderane bathes besyde Verona.



He Calderane bathe is in a village/called Ganderinum/as Nicolas Massa sayeth in the land or felde of Verona/ almoste ten miles from the cytie towarde the East/at the skirtes or bottomes of certayn hillockes/whyche are pleasant and lusty to loke vnto. And there are two places out of the whyche the waters that make the bathes do spring. The one is lyke a Theatre/compassed round about with a wal/and hath certayn greeles to go doune by. The other is open and not defended aboute wyth anye wall or other defence/ into the whyche they go that will bath them selues. The one is but a good stone caste from the other. The ground of these bathes is sandye/and the sande is rustye to a mans syghte. The water floweth not continuallye / neither in one place colde/but rather blood warne. It is exceeding clere/and doth not excede in any taste/for it is nether swete nor bitter. Yet it semeth to shewe a littel saltishnes. If there be anye thinge besyde/it maye be layde to the sinell and qualitie of brimstone. Therfore thys minozall water is cleare (and not manifestlye hooted) & springeth out of lande. whose taste is nether muche saltish/ nor swete nor bitter/ but in a meane with some menginge with mixture of brimstone. It hath a muddye taste in a mannis mouth. But wythout all doute the cheafe miner or matter that thys water goeth ouer/ or thowwe/ as all the learned men that haue written/ beare witnes/ is yron. Bolderius one borne in Verone writeth that these bathes when as they are deuided into ten partes/ haue viij. and a halfe of yron/ one parte of naturall salpeter/and halfe a parte of brimstone.

The properties of this bathes.

This bath doth measurablye coole/and notably drye/and is good for all olde diseases that come of to muche heate/ and for suche also that come of to muche moysture not well ruled/wyth feable heat/and for such as com

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meth of a colericke and saltishe humoz mended together. wherefore it is good for all kinde of scabbes and itches / and for all spottes in anye parte of the bodye / for scalde heades and pluckes in the heade. For Leprous in the skynne / and the disease nowe called Lepre / but Elephantiasis of olde writers / if the sykenes be in the beginninge / and haue not taken depe rotes.

ij It is good for a weake stomake if the cause be to much moystnes.

iiij Thys bathe is good for to muche heate of the liuer and kidneys / and it prepareth the moysture agaynste nature whyche is in them / and bringeth it furth of the bodye / both by goynge to stoole / and also by makinge of water.

iiij It is good for the sores and blistering of the bladder / and kidnes / and oft tymes healeth them. It healeth also the scabbes of the bladder / and the softning of the same.

v It swageth also the sharpnes of the bladder and the burninge of it / and oft tymes healeth it.

vj It helpeth also the strangurye / or makinge of water littell and littell at ones / as it were by droppes / and the goynge oute of the water when a man feleth it not.

vij It stoppeth also the issue or flowyng out of mannis sede or nature.

viii It stoppeth also the bloode that is in the mother / and the renninge of the Emoroodes.

ix And so lyke wise it holdeth and drieth by ouerflowinge humozes in any parte of the bodye / if it be taken in measure as it should be.

x It healeth fretting / gnawing / wasting and creping sores.

xi It helpeth the headach / and taketh away roumes and catarres.

xij It stoppeth and drieth by the watering of the eyes.

xiii It drieth by the superfluous moisture of the gummes and teth.

xiiii It is good for them y are shortwinded and are stopped in their brestes.

xv It is good for them that are fallen into a consumption / and spit blood out of their brestes.

xvi It healeth also the hitchcock or yiskinge / and stoppeth vomitinge or perbreakeinge.

xvii It healeth and taketh away the heat of the liuer / and helpeth y weaknes of the same / it heales also the old flux of the liuer.

xviii It is also semtyme a good remedye against the grene siknesse and the dropsey comming by the fault of the liuer.

xix It openeth all kindes of stoppings both of the milke and liuer.

xx It drieth furth sand and grauell / lumps of bloode and other grosse matters and flegmatik / and it defendeth afoze hand and preserueth the bladder from breadinge of the stone.

xxi It is also good for weake men / that would gladly haue chyldren and haue none.

xxii It is also good for weomen that wold gladly haue chyldre / and can haue none by the reason of to much moystnes conteyned in the mother.

xxiii It is good also for the to much lousnes and swerines in the guttes.

xxiiii It is good for weomen that are vexed with the whyte floures.

Item If ye take the water of this bath in by a glister/ it is a singuler good remedy agaynst wormes.

For all and euery one of these foresayd diseases is the water of this bath good/ fyrst if it be dronken/ & after wardes if the sicknes require by bathinge of youre membris in it.

The water of this bath in no wyse will helpe them that are sicke in the frenche pockes whether they drinke the water or bath themselves in it.

If any man will be deliuered from anye of these aboue named diseases by the drinke of this water. fyrste before he drinke it/ or if he will entre into the bath/ before he go into it: it is mete that he purge himselfe before wth some light medicine/ and to tene or emptye out the ouerflowynge moisture that is in the bellye. As for an example/ if the disease be in the breste kidnees or bladder/ or in the liuer: Let the sicke purge him selfe with cassia fistula or suche lykewise lenitiue or gentell purger.

If the milte be diseased/ let the patient be purged with electuarie lenitiuo or dia sene/ or som other like conuenient for the milte.

But if the stomacke be diseased/ then maye a man take diacatholicon or Hieraprica Galeni.

If anye man be scabbye/ or haue anye other defilinge of the skinne/ lette him be purged after the same maner/ that is/ ether with Cassia/ with Electuario lenitiuo/ and suche lyke medicines as serue for the driuinge out of humours/ that are menged wyth coloz and fleme or salte water/ whereunto maye be put Rebarbe/ specially if there be anye flowynge or issue of bloode/ ether oute of the beynes of the fundamente/ whyche is called the Emeroodes/ or oute of the mother. whyche purgation taken/ then let the syke begynne to drinke of the sprynge that is closed aboute wyth the wall and not of the other sprynge/ where as beastes drinke/ or scabby folke bath themselves in.

The moste mete tyme of yeaere to bath in these bathes/ and to drinke the water of them/ is from the middes of Iune/ to the middes of Auguste or to the ende of August.

Moreouer this water oughte to be dronken immediatlye oute of the sprynge/ and not in places far from the sprynge/ for if it be caried farre of/ as into other landes a greate waye of/ other it hath no strength at all/ or ellis very litle.

The best tyme of day to take this water/ is as sone as the Sonne is by after that ye haue ben at stoole/ whyche ether cometh of nature/ or by som suppositoary or clister.

If that ye be disposed to bath in the water/ it is best that ye bathe in the Springe of it selfe. But if for any great cause ye can not come to the spring it selfe/ drinke it warme in youre inne or house/ & so lyke wyse bath youre selfe in it at home in your house or inne. And se that ye vse this water ether when ye drinke it/ or bath youre selfe in it/ in the fyrste houre after the daye springeth.

Furthermore he that will take thys water/ muste take hede that he haue no ague/ nether be in all poyntes scable and weake in hys body/ & that he haue not wekenes in the synewes/ for suche can nether take thys water

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into theyr bodie/ nor bath themselves in it without great ieverdye.

As touching the quantite of this water that a man shall take in / it ought to be according to the complexion of the sicke/ and after the suffrance or tholling of the stomack. For they that haue an euill stomack/ muste take the lesse of it. But they that are stronge/ maye beginne to drinke in the first dayes. v. vi. or vii. cuppes full of the weight of viii. or ix. vneces. And as they are in drinkeinge of the water/ if it can be/ they must walke softelye/ that theyr naturall heate be stirred vp/ that it maye go the quicklier doune from the mawe to the guttes.

Som by and by after they haue dronken it/ ether pisse much or go much to the stoole/ som do both at ones. Some haue one after an other/ and some haue theyr scouring after certayne houres.

But howsoeuer it be/ it is most wisdom to walk foure houres after the taking of y water softelye/ so that by that walking he nether prouoke sweat/ nether make himselfe faynte or feable.

After that he hath walked then/ let him go to meate/ and after it also let him reste him selfe. But vpon the daye tyme it shall not be conueniente for him to slepe/ but he must playe and talke wyth his merve frendes/ and rede those thinges whych maye make him merve/ or let him playe vpon som musically instrumentes/ or heare som musick or pleasante singinge/ if he can not playe him selfe.

Let the takinge of this water increase dayly with putting to of one cup or ij. or iij. according as the sicke is able to abide it/ and as the nature of the disease doth require.

Yet for all this a man may not vnadvisedly and without deliberation go forward in increasing the numbze of his cuppes of water/ but let al thinges be waighed and ruled after reason. For ther are some/ that ether by the meanes of the weaknes of their stomack/ or for some other vnknown cause/ in no wise can awaye wyth the drinkeinge of this water. Bea though they drinke but a littel/ and kepe as good rule and diet as is possible.

And some there be that can nether auoide the water that they haue receyued oute agayne / nether by pissinge nor by goynge to the stoole/ whiche persones if they shoulde go forward in drinkeinge of this water/ they shuld shortly fall into some disease lyke a dropsey/ or into the dropsey it selfe.

Wherefore let suche absteyne and forbear from the drinkeinge of thys water.

But if the nature of the patient be stronge inough/ Whassa woulde that he shoulde procede/ vntill he come to the numbze of xx. cuppes and not passe that numbze.

If it chaunce that within sixe or seuen dayes that the patientes stomack loth the water/ and beginne to faynte/ let him forbear from it/ for the space of one daye or two/ and when his stomack is comforted agayne/ he may returne to his old measure agayne/ or to so much as his stomack shall be able conuenientlye to beare.

Let no man drinke shorter tyme of thys water then twintye dayes / for when as it worketh faintly by littel and littell/ it can not finnish perfectly his working in a fewe dayes/ for he must both teeme or emptie out the ouerflowinge

toynge humozes/and alter and change into an other disposition the grened & diseased meembres/that they may be restored agayn vnto ther old soundnes. Wherfore Massa conseleth if a mans stomak can endure to the takinge of y water/that he should continue an hole moneth in the drinking of it.

Let all them that haue nede to drinke of thys water & also to be bathed in it/for the space of certayne dayes / drinke fyrste of the water onely/before they enter into the bath/vntill they know that they be well scoured within/ and also streingthned. whych thyng they shall know by this signe/that is/ if both by the fundament/ & thow the water velleis the water come furth clere and vnmenged about the same quantitie that it was receyued.

But this chaunleth not at any certayn one tyme/for somtyme thys worke is finished soer/and somtyme latter/ but moste commenlye it chaunleth aboute the xiiij. or xx. daye.

Before that by these signes a man knowe perfectlye that he is well scoured wythin: in no case anye man oughte to goo into the bathe/to bathe or washe him.

Thys also must be well kepte / that no man shall go into the bath the same daye that he drinke of the water/and that he drinke not that daye of the water after that he hath bene in the bath.

The moste parte of it that I haue written hytherto of thys bathe: I haue translated it oute of Nicolaus Massa. But because some will not beleue one man alone/be he neuer so honest/or well learned / excepte he haue some to beare witnes wyth him. I will bring furth the iudgemente of two Physicians of Verona/in whose dominion thys noble bath is/concerninge the properties and vertues of thys bath.

Aleardus Phisicion of Verona.

The calderan bathes are good for all diseases whych come of moysture as are the diseases of the toyntes comminge of a waterye cause.

They are good for all the diseases of the kidneis.

They helpe all colde and moyst gout.

They are good for the burstinge of the priue membres.

They are good for impostumes and olde sores.

They are good for a moyst or waterish stomack/for they streingthen it.

They are good for hardnes of the milke called of some the cake in y syde.

They are good for the brest/for they inlarge the longes/ and make more roume for the breath.

They are good for the head ache.

They are good both for the waterye and windye dropse.

They are good for the synewes in taking awaye crampes/and the ache that commeth of them.

They cleanse the skinne from all kinde of scabbes/ scuruiues/maungis/nes/spottes/ markes and frekels/and from both the whyte morpew and the black.

They waste awaye the vnprofitable ouerflowing humozes that fall into the milke and liuer/and ingender diseases ther.

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They are good for fallinge doune of to much moysture into the mother/ and helpeth to make women fruytfull.

They are good for paynes in the small guttes.

They are good ether to be dronken or bathed in for them that haue false or priuie increpinge woundes called fistule.

The water of the bath is good to purge the bellye both taken in at the mouth or beneth in a clister.

The bathes are good for them that pisse blood.

They are good for the hardnes of the pappes.

They are good to be dronken for such weomen as cast their children before the due tyme/ and if they will swynke in the bathes / they shall haue the lyke helpe as they haue of drinckinge of the water.

The water is good to be dronken in the beginninge of a reume.

They kepe a man yonge like and lustye that drinketh euerye yeare xv. dayes at the lesse of these bathes.

They are good for the burstinge/ for the dysynes in the head/ for the gloryng or sounde of the eares/ for pockes/ and for the issew of nature.

Allthough they be euill for the payne of the ioyntes of them that haue the French pockes/ yet for all that it is knowen by experience/ that they are good for the outbroke of it/ if a man bath hym selfe in them.

Let men vse these bathes from the middest of Iulye vnto the ende of Auguste.

*Of the maner of vsinge the same Calderan bath
out of Aleardus.*

The maner of vsinge of this bathe/ is ether to go doune into the water/ or to drinke it/ or haue it poured vpon a man/ or by prouoking sweate by the vapores of it.

But as for the sweatinge that can not be / because the water wanteth heat to prouoke sweat wythall/ because the yron beareth such rule ouer the salpeter and brimstone.

Pouringe of water vpon any membre or bathyng of it wyth sponges or warme clothes/ may be well done if a man will heate the water/ and make it so warme as is meate for that purpose. He maye bath the like parte wyth warme clothes a good while/ and afterwarde take a sponge dipped in somethinge hotter water/ and let it lye a good while vpon y place vntill ye think that the water beginneth to be colde/ then dippe it in warm water agayn/ and this maye ye do iij. or iiij. tymes / or oftter as nede shall require. And when ye leaue of bathinge/ drye the sycke place well and laye a warm cloth vpon it.

The seconde daye or thyrde that a man is commed to the bath and rested well there/ he maye at thre of the clock (after the Italian tellinge of houres) enter into the bath/ and there tarpe an houre or a littel more or lesse/ accordinge vnto the strength of the patient/ and the nature of the disease/ euē vntill the sicke man perceyue the endes of his fingers to be kurlled or toxi-
bled.

And then let him go out/and be dyed wyth a metelye warme cloth/ and after that let him reſte in hys bed the ſpace of an houre/and then let him dine. And ſo like wyſe two houres before ſupper he maye go into the bath and do likewiſe/and go to ſupper/and at dewe tyme after go to bed.

The next day after ye haue ben in the bath/then may ye drink at diuers tymes ij. poundes/ but not to one heth or ij. as ſome uſe to do. But ye muſte take it in by litle and litle/and walke and exerciſe your ſelfe in the taking of it/and after iiii. houres ye may go to a feable diner/ & ther eat of good meates/and eaſye of digeſtion. And theſame maye ye do before ſupper/a dewe tyme goynge betwene.

The next day after that ye may go into the bath agayn/as ye dyd before & ſo by parting of tymes and courtes/ after this maner ye may continue xv. dayes or more/or at the moſt xx. dayes. But it is better to continue xv. dayes or more. But becauſe thys water hauinge but littel ſalpeter and leſſe brimſtone/it purgeth not much: yet ſeyng that it is ſomthing louſing/ it is better to go forward in the bathing/then in the drinking of the water. But both the wayes are good for the afore named diſeaſes.

If that ye will continue in the drinking of the water/ye muſt drinke ſo long/untill the water come out/be as clere as it is receyued in.

If that it chaunce & the patient be not holpen of his diſeaſe & firſt tyme/ let him come the next yere agayn/ & he ſhall ſe maruelous working.

When as ye returne homeward from this bath/whether ye go or ryde/ ye muſt take eaſye iourneys/and eat at dewe tyme good meat and eaſye of digeſtion/and chaue your meate well/for that helpeth muche to digeſtion. We muſt eſchewe ſlepe vpon the daye tyme.

Let your wine be whit/ but not ſwete/ & for a certayn dayes let it not be meged with water/ I mean about viij. dayes. But if it be to ſummiſh/ the lay for a certayne time a peare of bread in & wine/ & it will delay & ſummes & heat of it. For bread is the byddell & chayn of wine. And when as theſe viij. dayes are paſſed/then maye ye uſe your old accuſtomed wyne agayne.

The pookes of freſhe egges/are good and hoſſome meate for you at that tyme.

After your meat ye muſt reſt you a good whyle/and before meat again/ ye muſt walke in an euen grounde untill ye be full ye werpe.

Your ſupper muſt be but light of boyled chyckens.

After that xv. dayes be paſſed/then may ye eat vcal and wethers fleſhe/ ſodden rather then roſted/and ſuch other good fleſhe.

We may uſe both at dinner and ſupper the broth of a chycken wyth ſoppes put in it.

Waſhe your handes for thys tyme wyth whyte wine/and beware that ye touch no colde water.

Beware that for the ſpace of a month/ ye eat any other meate then theſe aboue named.

Forbeare from all fruytes/ from all pulles/as beanes/ peafen/ and ſuche lyke/ from onyones/ leakes/ garleke/ from all ſharpe ſpices and from vinegre.

Forbeare alſo from coole/ figges/ and all baken meates/and eſpeciall ye from

The properties of all bathes wherein Iron is the chiefe ruler.
from the crustes of pyes and pastyes/and tartes and such like.

For the same space ye muste kepe youre selfe from the companie of all weomen.

*The properties of all bathes where in Iron is the chiefe ruler,
and especialy of the Calderan bath, out of Anthonius
Fumanellus a Physician of Verona nere
vnto the Calderan Bathes.*



He bathes where as yon beareth the chiefe rule & stroke are good for the falling of the heare/for the runninge sores of the heade/for the scabbes/for the lepre/and for all the foulness of the skinnie.

They are good for all moisture that is aboute the skinnie/for the euill smell of the bodye/for windye swellinges/for bladders in the skinnie/for impostumes wyth sores or botches/for small wheales/for yitch/and for stinckinge and moyste botches.

They are good for the hardnes and byblowynge of the milte.

They are good for all the diseases of the ioyntes/for the softeninge of the synewes/for crampes that come of moistnes/for nummes and the vnfeelinges or sleeping of membris.

They are good for the moistnes of the heade/for the dusynes of y head/for mattery and runninge eares/for louse teth/for to much spitting/and moistnes of the mouth.

They are good for a moyst and watery mother/for the falling of the mother/and for the ouermuch flowynge of the floures.

They are good agaynst perbreakeing/against lothsumnes of the stomak/agaynst the sir/agaynst the falling of the fundament.

They are good for them that are weake in doyng the office of encreasinge of mankind/and for them that can not make water well.

They are good for the kidnes that are much weakened and are to wide/for the pissinge of blood/for the softeninge of the bladder/for the scab of the bladder/for the strangurye/and the burninge of the water/for the ofte makinge of water to muche/called Diabetes/for the issue of mans nature/for the Emorodes.

They are also good for to strengthen a place that hath ben broken/and to make it growe faster together then it dyd before.

They are good for them that are shortwinded/and for them that haue gnawynge/and payne in the bellye.

Nowe after that I haue brought thre sufficient witnessses to proue that the Calderan bath hath the propertyes aboue written/supposynge that no man will doute anye more of it that hath bene alledged. I will tell you the properties of one other notable bathe in Italye not farre from the vniuersitye of Bononye.

Of the bath Porret.

The

The bath of Porret is in the countie of Bononpe/which is the Popes toun/and a famous vniuersitie. The bath is about xi. Italian miles from this citie/ in a wilde place nere vnto the Pistorian alpes or high mountaynes. By reason whereof the place is so colde / men must vse it not before the xiiij. of Iulye. nor latter then the first of September. The mine or wayne that this bath runneth thorow or ouer/ is alume wyth some brimstone/ and not without salt and salpeter. Gentilis also sayth that this bath is aluminishe / but he maketh no mention nether of brimstone/ nor of anye kinde of salt. Saundholza by repoyte telleth that the chiefe ruler is alume/ and that it is not without brimstone and salte and salpeter. Vigalinus writing of this bath/ sayth/ that he will not holde that this bath is aluminishe as others do affirme and write / but because he sheweth no sufficiente reason of his dissention from other/ beyng more in numbze and better learned then he/ I dissent from him. Mengus Fauentinus rekeneth that alume beareth the chiefe rule/ and that next vnto him brimstone.

The properties of this bath.

This bath is good agaynst þe vnmeasurable running out of þe Emrodies. It is good for the whyte floures and the read to stop them. It is good agaynst vomiting and lothsumnes of the stomach. It is a good remedy for them that are cumbered off wyth to much swea tyng. It is good agaynst all diseases of the syne wes/ comming of to much fyl ling or stopping wyth to many humores. It is good for moyst mothers/ and Gentilis sayth that he hath good ex perience/ that it is verie excellently good for weomen that are baren to ma ke them shortlye after to conceyue. It is good for the stoppage of the liuer and the milke/ and of any beyne in the hole bodye. It is good for the stone/ and the paynes of the loynes / the reumaticke matter scoured fyrst awaye. Other writers geue a great deale mo of properties vnto this bath then I haue reherfed/ but because diuers learned Physicianes do speake agaynst the great numbze of vertues/ that the Bononians gyue vnto these bathes/ I will reherse no more then such as all learned men do agre that it hath.

The maner of vsinge of this bath.

This order must ye kepe if ye will go into the bath of Por ret. After that ye are commed to the bath of Porret / ye must rest you well an hole daye / and do nothyng con cerninge Physicke all that tyme. Upon the second daye about the risinge of the Sun ne/ go to the bath and drinke vi. ciathes of water/ which shall conteyne two small pottes. A ciath as Agricola sayeth/ holdeth after moyste measure/ an vnce and an halfe. When ye haue

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Of the bath Porret.

Dronken out your so named measure/then go home to youre Tyme agayne/ and walke hyther and thither/ & so do ye for the space of an houre. In the meane tyme ye shall auoyde the water that ye haue receyued or els a great parte of it. When the houre is passed/ then come to the bath agayn/ & drinke iiii. ciathes and an halfe/ then stand or rest after that the space of iij. houres/ and then go to dyner. viij. houres after diner take a light supper/ & an houre and halfe after supper go to bedde.

Upon the next daye folowynge/ which is the thyrde daye after the Sun be risen/ ye shall drinke two pottes of water conteyning ix. vneces by water measure/ and from that tyme for the space of an houre/ ye shall stande/ and afterwarde shall ye enter into the bath/ if it be not colde/ and in it shall ye stande one houre. And when ye come out/ ye shall go to bed/ and couer you metelye well wyth clothes/ but ye maye not slepe/ and ye shall se whether nature will assaye to sweate or no. If that ye do sweate/ make youre bodye be dryed wyth warme clothes/ and an houre after that/ let thys clister be ministred vnto you.

Take of the water of the bath one pound and an halfe/ two vneces of honye. Thre vneces of sallet oyle/ of salt two Drammes. Put all these together/ and put them into youre bodye.

After that ye haue auoydeth out the clister/ then go to dinner/ and at conuenient time go to supper/ and let your supper then be lenger then it is vpon that daye that ye drinke so muche water. And thys order shall ye kepe as longe as ye be at thys bath. That is to witt/ to drinke vpon one daye at iij. tymes v. pottes of water/ and the other daye ye must drinke two/ and go in to the bath if it be not colde. For I saye if it be colde/ as most communlye it is/ ye shall let it alone/ and take the foresayd clister. And se in no wyse that ye leaue the vsinge of the clister/ for doutles it doth more good/ then the drinkeing of the water doth.

And this order must ye holde for the space of xx. dayes.

After that ye haue dronken iiii. dayes of the water/ cause this ointmente folowynge to be made for you/ of some learned potecarpe.

R. Olei de Absinthio	}	an. 3s
Olei de Spica		
Olei Mastichini		
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Carrophyllum	}	an. 2l
Mactis		
Galange		
Carei		
Ameos	}	an. 7s
Coralli rubri		
Coriandri preparati		
Cere albe. q. s. fiat unguentum molle.		

Anoynt your stomack wyth this oyntment an houre before supper/ and let it be layd on wyth a warme hande.

And

And because your stomak shall be oft in great daunger/at diuerse tymes ye shall by myne aduise sprinkle this pouder vpon your meate/and put it in to youre sauce which ye shall vse.

Take of good and chosen cynamome two drammes.

Of Ginger two scrupels.

Of cloues/of clary seade/of fenel seade/of eche one scrupel.

Of read sanders one dram.

Of saffran halffe a dram.

Beate all these into fyne pouder/and cast it vpon your meat/and at som tymes take a littell comfectes of anise seade before meat/and coriandre confites after meat.

Let youre drinke be small whyte wyne.

Let your meat be chickens/kiddes flesh/or wethers fleshe.

Let your bread be one daye or two dayes olde.

We must eate no other meat then I haue spoken of/sauing if ye wil eate a softe egge or a potched egge.

Beware of rawe herbes/fruytes and fishes/butter milke and chese/and from pies and pasticrustes and all unleuened breade.

The most of all this that I haue reherled of this bath/I haue taken out of Bauertius. It that soloweth is taken out of Hugo Senencis.

The mine or bayne of Dorretta/belonging vnto the lordship of Bonony/that is best knowne/is salpeter naturall/for the tast of it is saltishe and a littell binding/it hath also some bymestone.

The cheafe help that a man can get of this water/is most openly perceued in healinge of flegmatique diseales/and in amendinge of tough and grosse humores.

Because it is surely knowne by experience that this water shortly after that it is dronken/entred into the veynes/some rules had nede to be kepte at suche tyme as it is dronken.

Where as salte peter by it selfe is not able to purge stronglye/ther muste be muche of this water taken before it will purge. But ye must whillist ye drinke of this water/forbeare from al other commune water/because it hurtyeth the digestion of the other/from salte beafe/from pastye crustes/and al other baken meates.

There was one of Bononye/named Thura/whych wrote that so much of this water ought to be dronken before meat/vntill it come furth clere as gayne as it was receyued ether by the water vessels/or by the fundament/or ellis by perbreakeinge/ but that oughte not to be done that he councelled. But so much of the water is to be take as wil purge a man of sufficiēt helth and complexion by. or vij. tymes. Let them that are weaker take accoꝝdinge vnto their nature so much as shall be inough for them.

If this water be taken in a sufficient quatite/and purge them/it is wel/ but if it purge not/then make clisters of the same water to purge them.

Aboute thre houres after that ye haue auoyded oute the clister/ye maye take a sober dner. But if the water worke wythout a clister/if ye be not verye weake/go into the bath that the parte of the water / whych is entred

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into the baynes maye be melted and dissolued awaye.

Continue halfe an houre in a warme bed after that ye haue bene in bath/ & ther be well wyped and dyed woth warme clothes/ and after an halfe houre put on your clothes and go to diner. After diner if that ye thinke that your legges be heauye by the reason of the abiding of the water ther in: enter into the bath agayne thesame day before supper. And if. houres after supper go to bed & slepe if ye can/ the space of vij. houres. And if ye sweat/ wpye it well of/ and in any case be ware of colde.

If that ye made weake with your purgation/ then reste you two or thre dayes. After that begin of fresh to take your water/ earlye in the morninge as ye did before. And let the foresayd rules be kepte. And vpon those dayes wherein ye take not the water/ go euery day in the morning in to the bath/ and continue there for the space of halfe an houre/ and afterwarde go into a warme bedde/ and wpye and dye youre selfe well/ and afterwarde eate and drinke as ye were taught before. If the water when it is taken do not worke/ nether by the stole nor makinge of water/ wythin the space of thre dayes/ then take a clister/ and after that go into the bathe/ and tarpe in it halfe an houre/ then go into your warme bed and dye your selfe wel. And after thre dayes/ take the water agayn/ and kepe thesame order that ye kept before.

Ye muste tarpe so longe in the bath of Doxret vntill ye haue dronken of the water vi. or vij. tymes.

Let your meates be easye of digestion as chickens/ and mutton of weathers/ and suche lyke holsome meates.

All the tyme that ye are in this bath/ ye must take hede that ye touch no commun water/ because your baynes are not yet well ryd of the water of the bath.

*Certain generall rules to be obserued of all them
that will entre into anye bath or drinke
the water of anye bath.*

The counsell of wise and learned Physicions is/ that ye should not at any tyme go into any bath to seke remedye ther for any sicknes/ excepte it be such one / that almoste the learned Physicians dispayre of the healinge of it. If God hath smitten you any disease/ before ye go to any bath/ for þ healing of it/ call to youre remembraunce/ how oft and wher in ye haue displeased God. And if any notable synne come to youre remembraunce/ occupye þ same no more/ but be earnestlye sorre for it/ and aske God mercy for it/ intending and promising by hys mercye and grace / neuer to fall into that synne agayne. This counsell is agreynge wyth that which is wrytten in þ xxxviij. chapter of Ecclesiasticus in this maner. My sonne in the tyme of thy sickness sayl not/ but that thou praye to almighty God/ for he wil helpe the leaue of all thy synninge/ and shewe out thy streight handes/ and clenge thyne herte from al synne and deal almoys/ and then geue place to the Physicion/ and let hym come vnto the as one that God hath sent vnto the/ etc.

And

And a littel after he doth playnly declare / $\bar{y}$ sicknes commeth for the punish-
ment of sinne / wher he sayth: He $\bar{y}$ will sinne agaynst his maker / vseth to fall
into the handes of the Physicion. As Christ in $\bar{y}$ v. of John doth also meane
when he sayeth vnto the blinde man whom he had healed: Go and sinne no
more / lest worse thinges yet chaunce vnto the. Howbeit we maye not iudge
a man to be a greater sinner then other / because he is oftter sicke then $\bar{y}$ com-
mun sorte be. For God sendeth vnto good men oft times sicknes / not for the
synnes that they haue done more then other men: but to kepe them in good
orde $\bar{y}$ the fleshe rebell not agaynst the spirit. For if that manye infirmities
had ben a sure token / that a man were a great sinner / then should Timothe
which had manye infirmities and sicknes as Paule writeth / ben a verye
great sinner. But he was not so / Therfore that argument is not true.

But whether sicknes come for to punish sinne / or to hold a man in good
nurture and obedience / all sickneses commeth of God. Wherefore / for what
soeuer cause it cometh of / before ye aske any helpe of any worldly Physician
ye must make your prayers to allmighty God / as the good kinge Ezechias
dyd / and if it be mete for you to be healed / ye shall be healed as he was.

Then after that ye haue confessed your selfe vnto allmightye God / and
to such as ye haue offended / in the name of God are counsell of som learned
Physicion who is sent of God / $\bar{a}$ not of some selfe made Idol / who is onlye
sent of hym selfe. If he vsinge all the lawfull meanes commenlye wont to
heale such diseases as ye are sicke in / $\bar{a}$ yet ye seale your selfe no better / then
shall it be high tyme to go to the bathes as to the shot ancre.

But before ye go to the bathes / in any wyse ye must go vnto some lear-
ned Physician / $\bar{a}$ learne of him by the helpe of youre telling / what cōplexion
ye be of / and what humoz or other thinge is the cause of your disease / and by
his aduice maye ye go vnto suche bathes / as he shall thyncke moste mete for
youre disease / and there after his counsell vse suche diet / as shall be most fitt
for your complexion and sicknes.

Let no man enter into any bath before his bodye be purged or clenged
ones or twyse after the aduice of a learned Physician. For if any man go vn-
prepared and vnpurged to the bath / he maye fortune neuer come home a-
gayne / or if he come home / he commeth home most commenly with a worse
disease then he brought to the bath wyth him.

He maye not go into the bath the first day that ye are commed to it / but
ye must rest you a daye or ij. and then go into the bath.

Ther is no tyme of yeaere that is more fitt to go into the most part of all
bathes / then are the moneths of Maye and Septembre. But the spring ty-
me is better then any other tyme is.

The best tyme of daye is an houre after the arising of the Sunne / or half
an houre. But before ye go into the bath / if youre disease will suffer you / ye
muste walke an houre / or at the leaste halfe an houre before ye go into the
bath.

But ye must at no tyme go into the bath / except ye haue ben at the stole
ether by nature or by crafte. Ye maye take a suppositorye or a clister / and
for a greate nede Sauonozola suffreth pilles. But he will not suffre that he
that is so purged / entre into the bath for the space of xiiij. houres after. The
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Came also would at the leste euerye bather shoulde haue a stole ones in thre dayes. Wherefore if that anye man be harde of nature/and can not well abyde supposytoxies and clisters/he pardoneth the patiente/if he be ones purged or go to the stole ones in thre dayes: whyche thinge scarselye any other wyter that I haue red/will do: nether woulde I counsell to differ the going to stole so longe/if there be anye meanes possible/ to make a man go to the stole wythout his great payna.

If that ye be counselled to go twyse on a daye into the bath / ye must se that ye go not into it before vij. houres be past after youre diner / and tarye not so longe in it after none as ye did before.

The commune tyme of taryinge in the bath/is communly allowed to be the space of an houre/or more or lesse/according vnto the nature of the bath and patient.

Let no man tary so long in the bath till he be faynte or weyke / but let him come oute before that tyme.

He muste alwayes go into the bath wyth an emptye stomack/and as longe as ye are in it/ye must nether eat nor drinke/sauinge that for a great nede require the contrarye. Then some graunte that weake persons maye eat a littell bread stieped in the iuyce of Pomegranates/ Berberies/or Rasbes / or in the syropes made of the same. Some Physicians suffer a man that can not abyde hunger so longe/ to take or he go in/ ether two spoun fulls of Rasynes/well washed often tymes/wyth two partes of water/one of wine/or so muche of delayed or watered wyne as muche as can he holden in a spoune/or a fewe primes sodden or stieped in water / or two spoun fulls of crumes of bread/washed oft tyme wyth water and wyne / tempered as I told before/or a toost put in to suche water. But let no man drinke in the bath/excepte he swoome in the bath/or be in daunger of swoowynge or els ye muste all the tyme that ye be in the bath/absteyne from all meate and drinke.

As long as ye are in the bath/ye must couer your head wel that ye take no colde/for it is very perillouse to take cold on the heade in the bath/as diuers reasons may be made to proue the same.

When ye come oute of youre bath/so that ye couer your selfe verie well that ye take no colde/and drye of the water of youre bodye wyth warme clothes/and go by and by into a warme bedde / and sweate there if ye can/ and wype of the sweate diligently/and afterwarde ye maye slepe: but ye must not drinke anye thinge vntill dyner tyme/ excepte ye be verie faynte. Then maye ye take a littell sugar Candye/or a fewe Rasines/ or anye suche lyke thynge in a small quantitie that will slake thyrste. For Galene in the fourtenth de methodo medendi/ commaundeth that a man shall not eat nor drinke by and by after the bath vntill he hath slepte after hys bathing.

After that ye haue sweate and slepte inough/ and be clerelye delyuered from the heate that ye had before in the bath/and afterwardes in the bed/ then maye you rest and walke a littel/and then go to diner/ for by mesurable walkinge the vapours and windynes that is caughte in the bath/ is dryuen awaye.

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If the patiente can not walcke/then lette him be rubbed lightly / and if he can suffice no rubbinge / then at some tymes were it good to take a suppositoꝝe ether of the roote of a beate wyth a littel salte vpon it / or a suppositoꝝe of honye/or a suppositoꝝe of floure delice/or of salte bacon / or whyte sope.

After all these thynges/then shall ye go to diner/but ye must nether eate very much good meate/nor any euell meate at all / wherefoze ye muste ryse from the table wyth some appetite/so that ye coulede eat moze if ye woulde/and yet ye must not eat to littell.

The meates that are comunely of all Physicians allowed that wyte of diet that belongeth vnto bathers/are bread of one dayes baking or ii. at the most/well leauened and thozouly baked/fmal byrdes and other byrdes of the feldes & mountaynes that are of easy digestion. But waterhaunters must ye not touche/kid flesh/beal/and mutton of a lamb of an yere old new layd egges/pheasants/pertriges/capons/chykens/and yong roese.

The meates that are forbidden/are salt beafe and bacon/pigeons/qua-les pies and pasties/and such like meates/chyries/and all such lyke frutes/garleke/onions/& al hote spicies/& all cold meates as are the most parte of fishes/howbeit diuers maye be well allowed if they be well dressed.

Milke is not to be allowed much/but if the patient be so greadye of it/ in a maner he longe for it/then let him take it ii.houres or thereabout/ befoze he take any other meat/and he must not drinke after it.

Whyte wyne is small/is allowable/or wyne being delayed to the third or fourth part of soddē water accordyng vnto the complexion of the patient. Some vse to stepe bread in strong wyne/when as they can get none other wyne.

Beware that in no wyse ye drinke any water/and especially cold water. And so should ye forbear from all thinges that are presently colde/namely when ye beginne first to eat or drinke. Let therfoze your both meat & drinke be in such temper/that they be not cold but warme/least when as ye are hote wythin by your bathinge and sweatinge/the colde stricke sodenly into som principall membre and hurte it.

They that are of an hote complexion/and of an open nature / and not well fastened together/ought not to tarye so long in the bath/as other ought that are of colder and faster complexion.

If that any man betwene meal tymes be vexed with thyrst he may not drinke any thing/sauyng for a great nede he take a littel barley water or water soddē to the fourth part of the wyce/ether of soure or middel swete pōgrats with a littel suger. A man may vse for a nede a littel vineger with water & suger/if he haue no disease nother in the synewes nor in the ioyntes.

A man that is ether very weake or accustomed muche to slepe after dinner/an houre and an halfe after that he is risen from the table he may take a reasonable slepe.

All the tyme that a man is in the bath/he muste kepe hymselfe chaste from all women. And so must he do a moneth after/after the counsell of diuers learned Physicians/and some for the space of xl.dayes/as Paracelsus and Alearnus woulde / namelye if they come oute of the Calderan bath.

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It were that in euery xxiii. houres the bath should be letten out/ & freshe water receyued into the pitt agayne/ for so shall ye soner be healed and better abyde wyth lesse ieopardye abyding in the bath.

It is most mete for them that haue any disease in the head as a catar or rheum/ coming of a cold and moyst cause/ or of a moyst cause/ and not very hote/ for them that haue palseys or suche like diseases/ that they cause a bucket be holden ouer their heades/ wth an hole in it/ of the bignes of a mans littell finger aboute iiii. fote aboute their heades/ so that by a reade or a pipe made for the nones/ the water maye come doune wyth great mighte vpon the mould of the head/ if they haue the catar/ and vpon the nape of the neck if the patient be sicke in the palsey or any suche lyke diseases.

The claye or groundes of the bath is better for the dropsye/ then is the water alone. It is also good for shronken swelled and harde places/ and for all olde and diseased places/ which can not well be healed wyth other medicines. The maner is to laye the groundes vpon the place/ and to holde the same agaynst the hote Sonne/ or a warme fyre vntill it be something hard/ and then to washe awaye the foulness of the claye wyth the water of the bath. This maye a man do as oft as he list. Some Physicianes counsell that betwene the bathinges/ when a man is twyse bathed vpon one dape/ in the tyme that the patiente is oute of the bath to vse this plastringe wyth the claye. But if the person be any thyng weake/ I counsell not to go twise into the bath/ but ether ones/ or els to be content onely wyth the plastring of the mudde or groundes of the bathe. It were good wysdome for them that can not tarpe longe in the bathes/ or can not be holpen in so shorte tyme as they maye tarpe at the bathes/ ether for heate or colde/ to take home wyth them some of the groundes/ and there occupye it/ as is afore tolde.

There are certayne learned men/ whych reken that the hote breth or vapore/ that ryseth by from the bath/ is muche more mightye then the water of the bath is/ and it is true. Wherefore it were mete that they which haue anye dropsye/ and specialllye a tympanye shoulde sitte ouer such a place of the bathe/ that they myghte receyue into the moyste diseased place the vapoure of the bath/ ether by an holed bourde or an holed stole/ or by som other suche lyke maner of thinge well deuised for that purpose.

If anye pore man by the reason of the heate and drynes of the bath can not slepe inough/ let him eat Lettice or Porcellayne/ or the sedes of poppye called Chesboule in some places of England/ or let him eate sugar and poppye seade together: let this be done at night. He maye also if he can not gette the foresayd thinges/ seth violet leaues and mallowes/ and bath the vttremoste partes wyth the water that they are sodden in. These are remedies for poure folke that are not able to haue a Physicion wyth them to gyue them counsell. Lette the ryche vse suche remedies as theyr Physicians shall counsell them.

If any poure man be vered wyth an vn sufferable thyrste/ let him take a littel barley and seth it long/ and put a littel sugar vnto it/ or let him take the iuyce of an Orenge/ and take a littel of it wyth a littel sugar.

If any poure man catch the headache/ let him take a littel Dormelade
if he

If he can get it / or comander cosittes / or if he can get none of these / let him take the yolke of an egge / & beat it with vinegre & rose water / or wth the broth of violetttes or nightshade / or wth any of them / & a littel vinegre / and laye the in a cloth vnto the temples of hys head and forehead.

If anye poulce man be burned to much / let him rake a clister made wth mallowes / beates / and violet leaues / or let him seach ynnies longe wth barley and r. spones / and put a roape the stone / and ease of them / or let him vse Popuolittes / Sointyne made of the rootes ether of betes of souer de lice / or of rohyte sope / or of salt bacon.

If any man sweat to much / let him vse colder meates then he used before / and vineger / berriuyce / let them also ease theyre fete / & calves fete wth berriuyce or vineger.

If any man haue the burning of his water when he maketh it / let him an houre after that he is comined furth of the bathe / anoynte his kidneys wth some colde oyntemente / as is Infrigidus Galeni / or if he can not come by that / lette hym seche violett leaues / Doupppe heades / Rasins / Liqoures and Malowes together / streyne them and put som sugar to y^e broth / and drinke of it a draught before supper.

If anye man be troubled wth the rheume which he hath caught in the bath / let him perche or bissett at the fyre Sigella Romana / and holde it in a cloth to his nose / or let hym set cuppes or borynge glasses vpon his shoulders without anye scotching / And let him drinke sodden water with barley / and wth a littel sugar.

If that a man haue an euill appetite to eate / let him vse the syrope of rybes or berberis / or the syrope of bntipe grapes / or b² berriuyce and vinegre to prouoke appetite in deuoe measure and nowc and then / if he can get it / let hym take a littell Harmelade / or of the syrope of Rhinte / or of Romaine made Romaine. These haue I written for youre folke. These that are ryche by the aduysle of theyr Physicioncs / maye haue other remedies inough agaynst the forenamed tofallcs / that chaunce in the tyme of theyr bathing.

If thou be rid of thy Disease by the bathing / offer vnto Chyrste in hys youre membres / suche offerings of thanckes geuing / as thou mayst spare / and geue him hartye thanckes / both in worde / minde and deade / and synne no more / but walke in all clemenes of lyfe and honestie / as farr as thou shalt be able to do / as long as thou shalt lyue after.

But if thou be not healed the fyrste tyme / be patient and liue vertuously vntill the next bathynge tyme. And then if it be to the glorie of God / and for the most profitable / thou shalt the nexte bathing tyme be healed by the grace of God of whom cometh all helth both of body and soule.

Some if they be not healed whyle they are in the bathing / crie oute both vpon the bath whiche healeth manye other syke in the same diseases / that they are sicke in / and the Physician also that counselled to come to the bath. Such men must learne y^e they must not apoint God no tyme to heale them by the bath. And that when as the bath hath dyed by / and wasteth by by sweatinge & subtil thowme biotwinge the euell matter of the disease / that

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that it is not one dayes worke or two to make good humores to occupie
place of such euill humores as haue bene in them before.

Therefore let suche be patient/and for the space of a moneth kepe the
me Diet that they kepte in the bathe / and if God will they shall haue th
desyre. But not onely these / but all other that are healed for a moneth
the least (the longer the better) must kepe the same diet that they kept in
bathe/as touchynge meate and drinke / and if it be/also from the vse of
womyen.

When as ye go homeward/ make but small iourneys/ and beware
of surfeting and colde/ and when ye are at home / vse measura
ble exercise daylye/ and honest myghte and pastyme with
honest companye. And beware of surfeting in anye
wyse/ and of anger/ and of to muche slee
pe or carfulnes.

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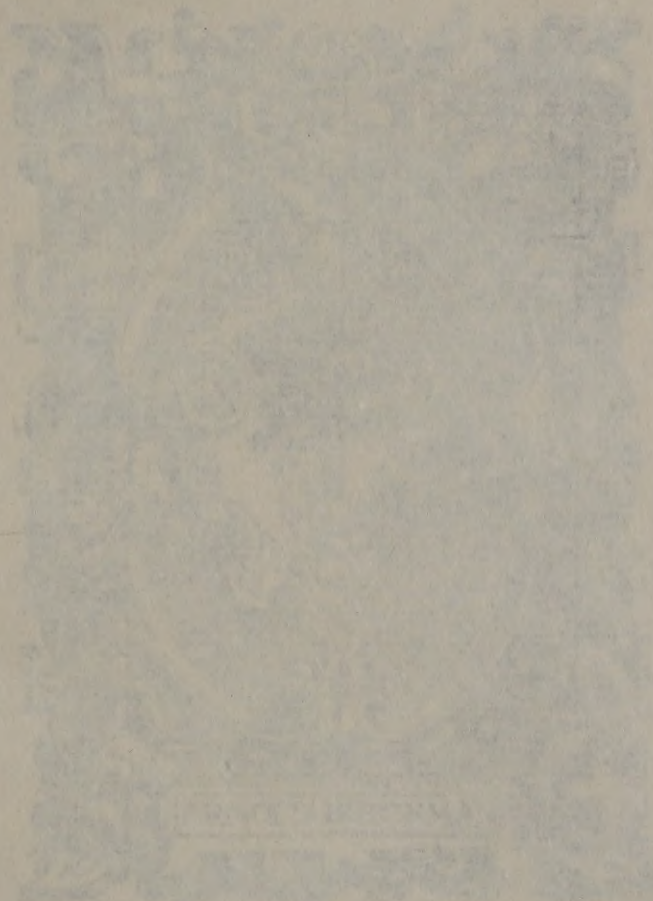
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